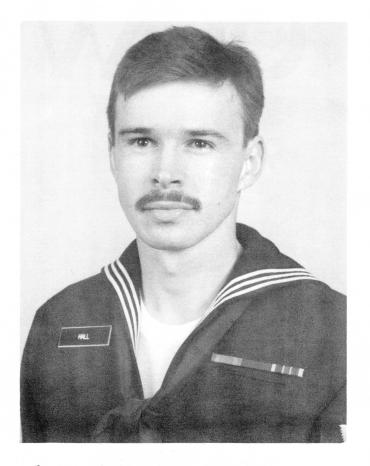
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PAR FOR THE COURSE



Jess sat there with that silly grin on his face, you know, the kind like Sylvester the Cat had after he had eaten Tweety, except Jess' eyes squint until they're almost completely closed. Get the picture now? In spite of his obvious modesty, CTM1 Jess Hall was definitely proud to be Skaggs Island's newest Sailor of the Quarter for April -June 1989. Jess' demeanor reflected excitement under tap, ready to blow any minute, spraying you with laugh-He said that when he found out that he had made it as SOQ he was impressed, proud and, most assuredly, shocked.

Being Skaggs Island's Sailor of the Quarter means alot to Petty Officer Hall and some of the input which he suggested may have helped in making him the most eligible was being involved in command and community activities in Napa, Sonoma and Vallejo, going to college, and

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being a well-rounded sailor, which means being able to touch all the bases as a first class petty officer.

Jess has enjoyed Skaggs Island so much he asked to come back, having been stationed here once before from February 1983 to August 1986. He and his wife, Kathy, were married in 1983 and they live here on Skaggs with their three children Janette (5 years), Jess II (4 years) and Traci (3 years). Living on the Island is a plus, he says, because it's a tight community and it's great for the kids, a safe place to live. The only drawback is the drive to everywhere everyone has to make, but the pluses far outweigh that drawback.

Some of Jess' goals include an Associate's Degree in Electronics, and a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology (which is a fancy name for management training which teaches people to design work sta-



#### **UNDER TAP**

tions, time, etc.). One of the things which Petty Officer Hall would like to see implemented is more time in the day. He considers himself career Navy, and is interested in going OCS (possibly) after he gets his degree.

Some of Jess' hobbies include naps (when he gets time), woodworking (when he gets time), and fishing (when he gets time). (That's one of the reasons he wants more time in his day!)

So, without further adieu, ladies and gentlemen, may we present CTM1 Jess Hall, our newest Sailor of the Quarter. Congratulations, Jess!



(Above) Mr. John Musilli, vice president of the Sonoma Valley Chamber of Commerce congratulates Sailor of the Quarter, CTM1 Jess Hall. (Opposite) Mr. Bob Darby, representing the Napa Navy League, presents CTM1 Jess Hall with congratulations and a savings bond.

#### Baywindow

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CAPT Ehret presents CTM1 Jess Hall with a command plaque in recognition of his being chosen Sailor of the Quarter.



CTM1 Jess Hall poses in front of the marquee with his wife, Kathy, and their children, Janette, Traci, and Jess II.

#### DON'T DO JOBS ALONE

Recently an article was routed through the chain of command here at level, I went up the roof, swung the Skaggs Island which summed up, in one person's experience, the need for a safe working attitude. In this man's circumstances we'll see that working as a team can have its benefits. Article is printed in its entirety.

"Dear Sir:

I'm writing in response to your request for additional information. In block three of the accident report form I put 'trying to do the job alone' as the cause of the accident. You said in your letter I should explain more fully, and I trust the following details will be sufficient.

I'm a bricklayer by trade. On the day of the accident, I was working alone on the roof of a new six-story building. When I completed my work, I discovered I had about 500 pounds of bricks left over.

Rather than carry the bricks down by hand, I decided to lower them in a barrel by using a pulley that, fortunately, was attached to the side of the building at the sixth floor.

After securing the rope at ground barrel out, and loaded bricks on it.

Then I went back to the ground and untied the rope, holding it tightly to ensure a slow descent of the 500 pound bricks. Please note in block 11 of the report, my weight - 135 pounds.

Due to my surprise at being jerked off the ground so suddenly, I lost my presence of mind and forgot to let go of the rope. Needless to say, I ascended, at a rather rapid rate, up the side of the building.

Near the third floor, I met the barrel coming down. This explains my fractured skull and collarbone.

Slowed only slightly, I continued my rapid ascent, not stopping until the fingers of my right hand were two knuckles deep into the pulley.

Fortunately, by this time I had regained my presence of mind and was able to hold tightly to the rope inspite of my pain. About the same time, however, the barrel of bricks hit the ground and the bottom fell out of the barrel.



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Without the weight of the bricks, the barrel only weighed about 50 pounds.

I refer you again to block 11. As you might imagine, I began a rapid descent down the side of the building.

Around the third floor, I met the barrel coming up. This accounts for the two fractured ankles and the lacerations of my legs and lower body.

The encounter of the barrel slowed me enough to lessen my injuries when I fell onto the pile of bricks and fortunately, only three vertebrae were cracked.

I'm sorry to report, however, as I was lying there on the bricks in pain, unable to stand and watching the empty barrel six stories above, I again lost my presence of mind, and let go of the rope.

The empty barrel weighed more than the rope, so it fell on me, breaking both my legs.

I hope I have furnished the information you required as to how the accident occurred."

Article written by SMSgt Dannie J. Goodman, Pope AFB, NC.



CTM1 Laverne Davis accepts his certificate which releases him to the Fleet Reserve after his retirement ceremony. Fair winds and following seas, Vern!

#### CTM1 DAVIS RETIRES





CTM1 Lavern Davis gives a few parting words to his friends and ship-mates.

CDR Kretzmann returns CTM1 Lavern Davis' final salute during Petty Officer Davis' retirement ceremony.

### JUST THE FACS

Since I just recently reported aboard, I should start off by introducing myself! So, here I am for the first time ever in northern California, BUC Michael Doll reporting from NMCB-1 out of Gulfport, Mississippi, and a nine month deployment in the Persian Gulf. first impressions of the base and personnel hasn't changed in the two months I've been here: simply I'm highly impressed with the enthusiasm, support, versatility and initiative displayed amongst all personnel. It's no wonder the command is up for its fourth consecutive Bronze Hammer award! I can honestly say I'm proud to be part of the team. Most of all, my hat goes off to BU1 Steve Allen for his superb leadership and managerial skills in running such a smooth operation while the billet I'm now filling was gapped. Thanks for the great turnover, Petty Officer Allen.

Welcome Aboard to SA Phillip C. "Bubba" King and farewell to BU1 Robert A. Johnson who left for Embassy Duty in Washington, D.C. understand the rest of 90 Department has had a few personnel changes as Antennae Mechanic Jack E. Fuller has been replaced by Tony Garibaldi after Jack volunteered for three years at NAVSECGRUDEPT, NAV-COMMSTA Rota, Spain. Bob Rowe is now in charge of our water and sewer systems (Brown Water Bob) as Tom White has moved to a special, one year position at Mare Island. haps the biggest news was the January birth of Joshua Lerch to Marc Lerch and the former Amy Wilson.

As far as work goes, we're currently tackling four major projects with 10 more in line. The BEQ head renovation has been completed and SeaBee shops rehabilitation projects are all well underway. Future projects such as the SeaBee storage facilities, nature trail and PAO relocation projects will require additional manpower. So, if you're looking to learn a few tricks of the trade, come join us for some SeaBee OJT!

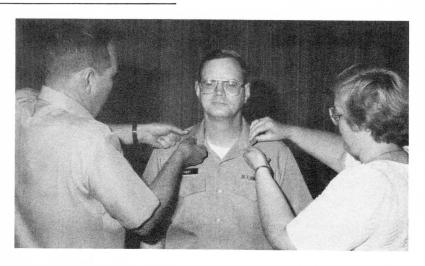
Once again, it's great to be on board and I look forward to doing whatever I can to make Skaggs a more enjoyable tour for all.

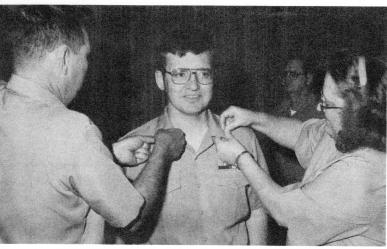
Article by BUC M. A. Doll.



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"CAN DO!"

### **FROCKEES**

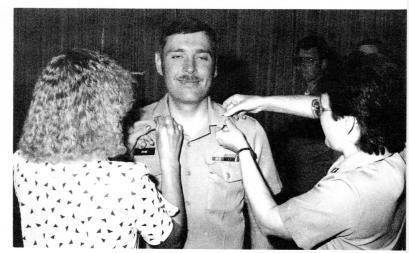


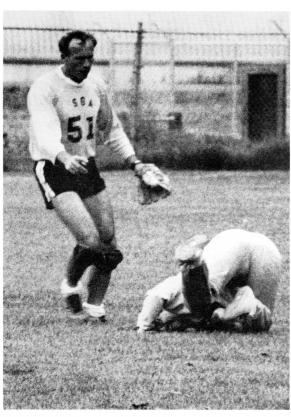


CTOC Ron Ireland smiles with pleasure as his senior chief anchors get pinned on.

CTMCS John Easley gets his new Master Chief anchors pinned on by Mrs. Easley and CAPT Ehret.

CTMC Richard Crane is frocked to senior chief. Mrs. Crane and LT Markam do the honors.





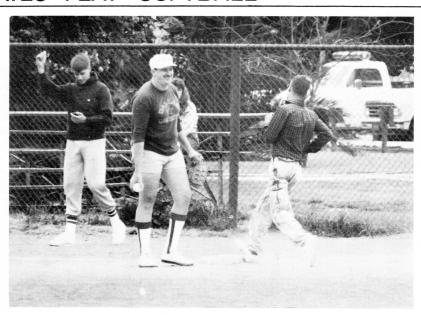
Excedrin headache number 123!

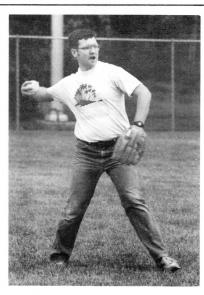
CTR1 Mat Seward rounds first base while SKC Jack Dunivin keeps his eye on the bag.

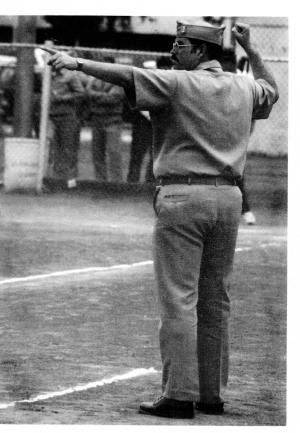


## SLIDIN' HOME

ISLANDERS GET A GOOD LAUGH WHILE WATCHING SHIPMATES "PLAY" SOFTBALL

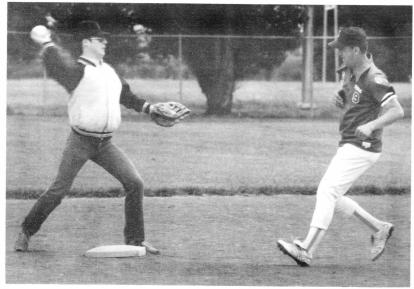






CTOCM ("Foghorn") Stan Gonet coaches third base and all other bases, air strips and ships within ear range in Northern California. Looks like it will be a

slider to me!

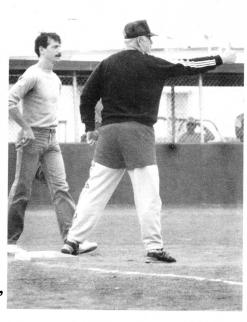






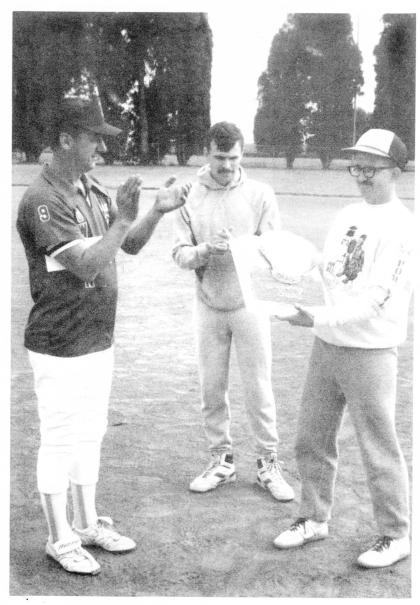
This young tike is trying hard to do a CTOCM Gonet imitation, but there's nothing quite like the real thing.

It is easy to tell that when the dust cleared this one wasn't easy to tell at all!



CTMCM Allred gives the thumbs-up, while CTR1 John Sproul tries to figure out just what it means.

### IT'S A BALLOON!



An appropriate "hot air balloon" cake wishing the Command Master Chief well was presented after the CPOA's undisputed win over the Acey/Deucey Association. The cake was a surprise going-away present for MC Erickson.





CTM1 Jess Hall presents CTRCM Denny Erickson tickets for two rounds of golf at Chardeney Golf Course from the Acey/Duecey Association for all the help and guidance that he has provided during his naval career.

## CIVILIAN IN THE SPOTLIGHT

This month marks a sad occasion for Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department with the departure of Mrs. Donna Russell. Donna, and her husband, Mark, will be leaving us for NMPC, in Washington, D.C., where she will be working as a User Services Representative with the BLAS System computer. Her new job will mean training others about the system, and some possible travel to places like...EUROPE!!! (One of Donna's aspirations.)

Donna has been with MWR for about a year and a half, and everyone has enjoyed working with her, what with her warm personality and her expertise in accounting. Her experience and personality will be sorely missed by those of us who have worked closely with her.

Looking back over the years, it would seem fitting that Donna should be heading down the path which she is travelling. Her father, Wayne Corless, is retired Air Force, and became a Field Representative for NMPC himself, and eventually ended up as the permanent MWR Director in Bermuda. Donna's love for travel has come from all the moves which her family, in its military environment, made to places like Oklahoma (where she was born); the Azores; Alabama (twice); the Philippines; South Carolina; Texas; Izmir, Turkey; Florida; Bermuda and finally, California, where she has moved three times.

Donna started working for MWR in January of 1988. Three months before she moved here she married Mark Russell, who himself is the MWR Youth Director at Naval Station Mare Island. (Talk about keeping



it in the family!)

Donna really enjoys socializing, going out to dinner, camping, exercising with aerobics, dancing (one of her life-long dreams), and she has a financial services business on the side. She is quite a busy young lady! Donna said that some of her ambitions include becoming a millionaire, a professional dancer or a model.

Donna, we all wish you and Mark the very best of success in all of your endeavors. Oh, yeah, Donna, keep wearing purple (it really is your color)!

### **HEARST CASTLE**

my wife and I have taken advantage one hour and 45 minutes long. of the opportunity to visit many of rent prices for each of the the local attractions. We have been are \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 6to the races at Sears Point Inter- 12; children under 5 are free, pronational Raceway, visited Jack London State Park (several times), tour bus seat. gone to Reno to find our times, looking), (both at Muir Woods and up in Hum-should make reservations well bolt County), driven to the ocean, advance of your visit. Recreation the mountains, "The City" (several Services has complete information on times), and the wine country (many the tours, or you can call MISTIX at We finally got to visit the 1-800-444-7275. Hearst Castle at San Simeon, south of Monterey. We had made up list of "must do's" before we part, and this was one of them... and you would do well to add it to list, if you haven't already visited the Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument.

The "Castle", designed by architect Julia Morgan and built by William Randolph Hearst (of FRANCISCO EXAMINER fame) between 1919 and 1947, lacks designation as true castle only because doesn't have a moat around it. Grandly situated atop the overlooking San Simeon and the Pacific Ocean, the complex is regally impressive. Comprised of La Casa Grande (the main residence), three guest houses (which would make quite comfortable homes), surrounding pools, gardens and grounds, the size and luxury are amazing. Bearing in the period and circumstances when it was constructed, it is even impressive. Much of the construction material and most the trees and shrubs were moved the hills by draft animals and chain-drive trucks.

During our tour at Skaggs Island, Four tours are offered, each about vided they do not occupy a separate Tours begin at 0820 fortune and the last tour starts at 1500 in and we're still the winter, and later in the summer. checked out the redwoods Because the tours are popular, you





#### THE VALLEJO JUNGLE

The jungle in Vallejo... That conjures up many mental pictures, doesn't it. The jungle I refer to is the mini-jungle of Marine World Africa U.S.A. Located on Highway 37 close to Interstate 80, it offers not only some great sea life and water ski shows, but some animal acts including chimpanzees and elephants, with a bird show thrown in. There are also animal habitat areas where rhinos, zebras, tigers and giraffes live, to name a few.

Of course there are gift shops and restaurants (fairly reasonable), but you can take a picnic if you like, as they do have family picnic tables in several areas throughout the park.)

Stop by Recreation Services and get your tickets in advance. They are good for anytime during the rest of the year, and give you real great discount on the price of admission. You should get there early and allow at least six hours so you can see most of it, more to see it all. So grab your pith helmet (or buy one there) and go spend a day in the jungle.

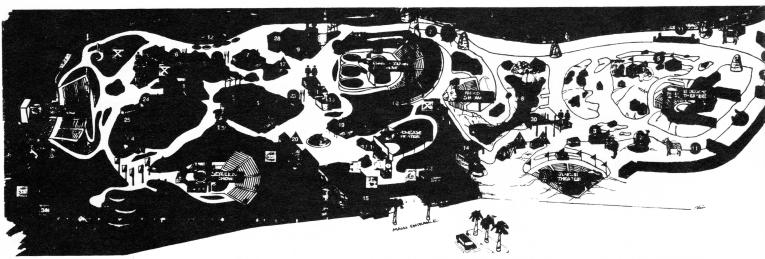
Both "Hearst Castle" and "The Vallejo Jungle" were written by CWO4 P. L. Lawrence.





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#### MARINE WORLD AFRICA USA



#### SCHEDULED SHOWS

Whale and Dolphin Show

See Lion Show

Water Ski and Boat Show

Jungle Theater

Bird Show

Ecology Theater

Showcase Theater



1 Whale-Of-A-Time World Playground

- 2 Animal Play Area
  Animal Training Demonstrations
- 3 Elephant and Camel Rides
- 4 Seal Cove and Otter Habitat
- 5 Gentle Jungle
- 6 Aquarium
- 7 Learning Center & Discovery
- 8 Flamingo Falls & Waterfowl Pools.
- 9 Tiger Island
- 10 Marine Mammal Research Center
- 11 Animal Habitat Areas
- 12 Dancing Springs Fountain
- 13 Games Arcade
- 14 Animal Nursery

#### GIFT SHOPS

- 15 Main Gift Shop
- 16 Levi's Sign Designs Hat Kiosk
- 17 Kiosks
  Located throughout the park with many souvear items.
- 18 Safari Photo
- 19 Prof. Doolittle's
- 20 Too Much Fun Spy Glass
  - Airbrush
- Computer Portraits

Silhouette Toys and Hand-Crafted Jowelry

Fudge Factory

Prodos Made to Out Very Own Shop

21 Face Painting

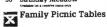
#### RESTAURANTS

- 22 Clock Tower Cafe
- Cotton Candy Icee
- Popcorn Icee
- Soft Ice Cream
- Lakeside Plaza Foods
  Fines. Hot Dogs. Nachos. Messcan Food. Corn Dogs. Des
  Sandwichnes. Sods. Beer Coffee. Máls. Ico Tes. Colombo Frozen
- Mobe Seafood Seafood, Pries, Salads, Soup D Tea, Jusces, Joe Tea, Milk
- Burgers Armany Cheseburgers, Price, Soda, Shakes, Coffee, Hot Cocce, Malk, Jusces, Desperts, Breakfast mems untai 11:00 a.m.

- 29 Barricini Ice Cream
- 30 Pizza Safari
- 31 Imported Beers
- 32 Whale Kiosk



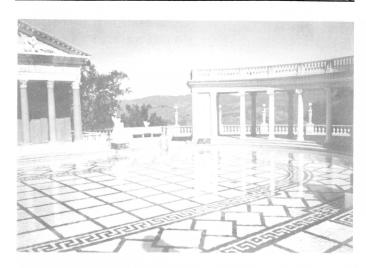
- 33 Chabot
- Shoreline 35 Grove
- 36 Birthday Meadow





#### MORE CASTLE

# A HOLE IN ONE













Some Skaggs
Islanders got
together
recently for
some golf. At
least that's
what they said
they were
doing!

CTO1 Jerome Hawkins recites the Oath of Enlistment at his reenlistment ceremony on 14 April 1989.





After his reenlistment ceremony, CTO1
Jesse Norwood and his wife, Yokko, posed with CDR
Kretzmann.

CTOC Steven Layne reenlisted before heading out for Rota, Spain.



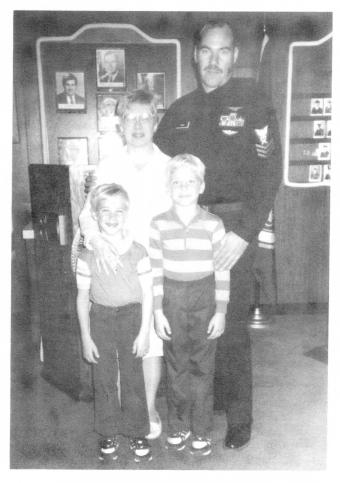
### REENLISTMENTS



CTR2 Jack Lai reenlists.

CTO1 Cheryl Toliver takes the Oath of Enlistment at her reenlistment ceremony on 14 April 1989.





CTO1 Carl Labahn, who reenlisted this month, accompanied by his wife, Annette, and their two boys, Rob and Will.

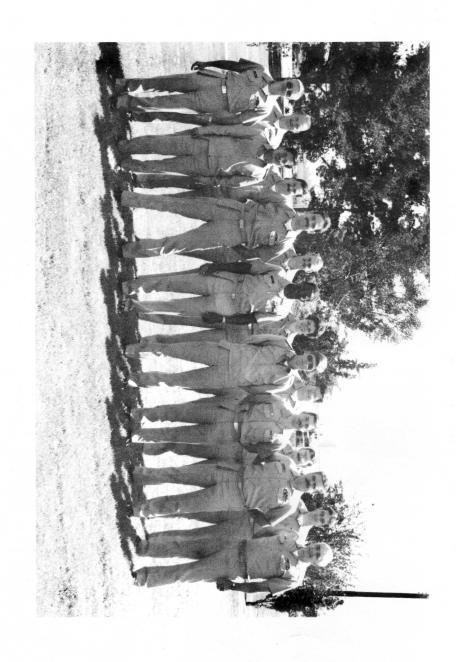


CAPT Ehret poses with two-time Room of the Month winners CTOSN Candi Blease and SN Elaine Hay.



50 Department awardees: CTR2 Blaine Scott, ADP Project; CTT1 Wendy Krohn, Sailor of the Year Nomination, LOA for SOQ Nomination, ADP Project, Wideband JQR Certification; CTR1 Matthew Seward, ADP Project; CTR3 Patrick Marcellus, LOC for 52 Division Operator of the Quarter; CTT2 Elizabeth Cast, Wideband JQR Certification; CTR1 Jack Sproul, LOA for SOQ Nomination.

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Front Cover: "Owww, Ron, that's my ear!" Slapstick Golf with CTM1 Steve Dhimitri and CTMC Ron Henry.

convened on 17 April 1989 and graduated on 28 April. From L to R: CTRC George Adams (Skaggs Island), SKC Chief Petty Officer's LMET class Coronado). Essex (NAVSTA Mare Island), FCCS(SW) John Fitzsimon Wayne Elliott (NAVSTA Mare Island), FCCM(SW) John Balafas (NAVSTA Mare Island), BMC Larry Brown (Skaggs Coronado), ATC Gary Justice (Naval Amphibious School, Island), ASC Lee Jensen (Naval Amphibious School, Rozman (Skaggs Island), CTRC Wendon Smith (Skaggs Island), CTAC Aline Greer (Skaggs Island), CTMC Thomas (NAVSTA Mare Island), CTGC Aaron Graham (NAVSTA Mare (NAVSTA Mare Island), FCC(SW) James Frederickson Island), CTMC Jeffrey Dunlap (Skaggs Island), STGC(SW) Emmanuel Anulao (Skaggs Island), FCC(SW) Stanley