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Veteran Services

Appointed to the Franklin County Veterans Memorial Board of Trustee's January 2006 for a 5 year term

History of Service

Jan 30, 1977 to April 5, 1977 Recruit Training, Great Lakes Recruit Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

-Received basic training in Naval history, shipboard life and damage control. Also trained in the Importance of the Military Chain Of Command and the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

-Initial Rate (E-3)

April 14, 1977 to May 5, 1977 Postal Clerk Class "A" School, Fort B. Harrison, Indianapolis, In.

-Received training in primary job specialty as a Navy Postal Clerk. Learned to process Postal sales, including sale of stamps and processing of personal packages, and all classes of mail, including special options such as; Insurance, Certification and Registration of mail. Trained in the shipment of letters and parcels from State side locations to ships at sea and overseas duty stations. Also trained in the importance of mail service to Sailors' morale.

May 28, 1977 to Sept 1978 USS Howard W. Gilmore (AS-16), La Maddalena, Sardinia. Italy

-Reported to first not training duty station. Initially assigned to Galley Duty. Three months spent as Galley Yeoman responsible for the preparation of Daily menus and the cleanliness of Galley Office spaces.

-Upon completion of Galley Duty reported for duty to ship Post Office. Assigned to Customer Service, including the sale of stamps and stamped paper, mailing of packages and sale of Postal Money Orders. Also assigned to Mail Runs to the Olbia Sardinia Airport to meet mail flights, dispatching outbound and retrieving inbound mail for the Ship.

-Initial training in Shipboard Damage Control, including firefighting, pipe patching, and hull maintenance and hole repair.

-Advanced to E-4, Postal Clerk Third Class

Oct 1978 to Oct 1980 USS Kilauea (AE-26), Naval Weapons Station, Concord California

-Reported aboard to Second duty station, assigned Custodian of Postal Effects and responsible for one junior Postal Clerk. Also assigned as Damage Control Petty Officer, responsible for the preventative maintenance of fire stations and conditions of all Damage control equipment in departmental spaces.

-Major deployments, Westpac cruise, 6months in the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean in Support of operations to Free Hostages in Iran. Ports visited during deployment, Pearl Harbor, Hi, Subic Bay Naval Station, Republic of the Philippines, Hong Kong, BCC, Singapore, Naval Station, Diego Garcia, Naval Station, Agana, Guam.

Note worthy events on deployment, Rescued over 80 Viet Nam boat people in the South China Sea.

Nov 1980 to Nov 1983 Naval Air Facility, Atsugi, Atsugi Japan

-Reported to first Shore Duty Station. Assigned to the base Post Office performing normal Postal functions. Also provided air terminal service to ships home ported in Yokosuka Naval Station while at sea, transferring mail and cargo via "COD" (carrier onboard delivery). Advanced to E-5 (Petty Officer Second Class).

-Assigned Moral Officer for Department. Responsible for moral of departmental personnel, planned ball tournaments, Holiday events and Birthday celebrations.

-Volunteered at Youth Services and Preschool on Base.

Jan 1984 to Aug 1987 Commander Fleet Activities, Naval Air Facility, Okinawa, Okinawa Japan

-Assigned to Base Post Office performing normal Postal functions. Also provided air terminal and pier side delivery for ships operating in the Okinawa Ops area.

-Major accomplishment, serviced 45-ship flotilla for a 2-week period delivering and dispatching many thousands of pounds of mail.

-Advanced to E-6, Petty Officer First Class

Sept 1987 to Aug 1991 Fleet Mail Center, Yokohama, Yokohama, Japan

-Assigned to the major mail processing facility for the Northern Pacific and Eastern China Sea and Indian Ocean. Positions held, Shift supervisor, Ship Routing Supervisor, Custodian of Postal Effects, and Postal Inspector.

-Shift Supervisor, responsible for third shift processing of mail for Japan Theater. Supervised 10 junior personal

-Ship Routing Supervisor, responsible for the routing of all ships mail from arrival in the area of operations to departure, updating ships mail routing on a daily basis. (Requirement for a SECRET clearance)

-Custodian of Postal Effects- Responsible for processing of Stamp order for all Shore Facility and Ship Post Offices in the Japan and Korea area, responsible for the custody of over \$2,000,000 in stamps and stamped paper and in excess of \$70,000,000 in postal money orders.

-Postal Inspector, responsible for the smooth operation and training of junior postal personnel while operating in the Japan Theater of operations. Random and surprise inspections were performed on shore and sea commands, reporting results to respective Commanding officers and Naval Postal Operations Commanders.

-Attended training in Effective Leadership and Management of Personnel

-Participated in multiple activities to foster goodwill between the American Military community and our Host Japanese citizens.

Sept 1991 to March 1993 USS Prairie (AD-15), Long Beach, California

-Leading Petty Officer of the Post Office and the Leading Departmental Petty Officer.

-Major Deployment to the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf in support of the aftermath of the First Gulf War. Major ports visited, Pearl Harbor, Hi, Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines (Last ship to visit prior to its closing), Hong Kong, BCC, Singapore (repaired US Navy Destroyer damaged in the Straits of Malacca in a collision with civilian steamer), Dubai, UAE, Abu Daubi, UAE.

-This was an historic deployment for the USS Prairie, the 50th overseas deployment in its 53-year history. This ship was at the time the Oldest ship in the US Navy.

April 1993 to June 1993 Naval Station, San Diego, San Diego, California

-Temporary duty while waiting for USS Cleveland to return from deployment.

June 1993 to Dec 1994 USS Cleveland (LPD-7), San Diego, California

-Leading Departmental Petty Officer, Custodian of Postal Effects and Leading member of Damage Control Training team.

-Advanced to E-7, Chief Petty Officer

-Major Deployment to the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf. Participated in the Rwandan Relief Efforts in Africa. Significant port visited, Pearl Harbor, Hi, Mombasa, Kenya, Dubai, UAE, remained on station off Kuwait City for 90 days to deter Saddam Hussain from returning to Kuwait.

Jan 1995 to Nov 1996 USS Independence (CV-62), Yokosuka, Japan

- -Postal Officer/Division Officer for S-12 Division. I was the only enlisted man on the USS Independence to be assigned as Division Officer.
- -USS Independence, nicknamed the 911 Carrier, was continually deployed while I was aboard. Any emergency in the area was covered by the Independence.
 - -Awarded the Finest Postal Facility Afloat while I was Postal Officer.

Nov 1996 to Jan 1997 Terminal Leave, Columbus, Ohio

Awards

Medals

Navy Commendation Medal 3 Awards
Navy Achievement Medal 3 Awards
Good Conduct Medal 5 Awards
Navy Expeditionary Medal 1 Award
National Defense Medal 1 Award
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal 1 Award
Southwest Service Medal 2 Awards
Navy Humanitarian Medal 1 Award
Kuwait Liberation Medal 1 Award

Ribbons

Sea Service Ribbon 5 Awards Overseas Service Ribbon 10 Awards Battle E 1 Award