



CAPTAIN PAUL F. FOYE  
CONNECTICUT AREA CHAPTER  
COAST GUARD ACADEMY PARENTS ASSOCIATION  
August 2005 - Newsletter

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CHAPTER News

Yes we have finally gone "high-tech". "THANK YOU" to John Roper who has spent countless hours creating the CAPT. Paul Foye Chapter website and shopping cart for W.B. Ensign Edibles. This is such a great beginning and the site looks fantastic. Please check it out at, any suggestions please email us and share your comments! Carl and Chris Morello  
morellocga@yahoo.com

Hello to all the Coastie families out there!

WELCOME! WELCOME!

The CT chapter of CGA parents has welcomed 23 new CT swabs. After a long summer of indoc and countless days waiting for that 1<sup>st</sup> phone call or letter, our swab parents will have watched on as their swab was transformed into a cadet and eventually welcomed into the Corps. As a 4/c they still have a long year ahead of them. Other CT parents of cadets that survived to become 3/c, 2/c and 1/c are here to welcome our new families.

The well-attended chapter luncheon at the CGA Stonington Lodge on June 5<sup>th</sup> provided the group with an informal Q&A session with several 2/c summer cadre (arranged by CT 2/c Cadet Carolyn Dayton with fellow CT 2/c Cadet Mike Dubinsky and other 2/c peers) along with a great turnout of other CT families welcomed the following swabs and their families:

Chapter Class Of 2009

Michael	Comerford	Coventry
Matthew	Eyler	Mystic
Stephen	Fainer	Naugatuck
Jennifer Ann	Ferreira	Shelton
Michael	Fiori	New Britain
Alexander	Gebhart	Somers
Laura	Gibbins	Hampton
Ashley	Grim	Ellington
Jacob	Holzman	Madison
Christina	Mandour-Brackin	Manchester
Eric	Mansfield	New Canann
Emily	Marr	Westbrook
James	McGehee	Milford
Lauren	Milici	Southport
Niles	Pierson	Cheshire
Christopher	Quatroche	Salem
Shea	Quinn	Gales Ferry
Andrew	Roemhild	Deep River
Paul	Schmitz	Stonington
Kevin	Sorrell	Lebanon
Dana	Tomc	Middletown
Jeffrey	Walsh	Suffield
Christopher	Woods	Simsbury
Luke	Zitzman	Southbury

NAPS CGA CLASS OF 2010

Matthew	Izicki	Lisbon
Shawn	Karasewicz	Waterford

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### ON THE WEB-W.B. ENSIGN EDIBLES

Orders can now be placed online through the Chapter Website and paid through PayPal. With Cadets from distant states in mind, care package volunteers for w.b. Ensign Edibles (and other liberty loot) continued during SWAB summer with great success and we were able to debut with ON LINE ORDERING for the first time during SWAB summer with great success. Over 110 packages were delivered to very thankful SWABs and Cadre. Thank you to Sheila O'Donnell (Rob '07) for chairing this very busy committee.

Remember we deliver every other Friday during the school year. Watch for morale special packages to be available during the year! This fundraising event not only gives your favorite cadet(s) a little treat, but also proceeds are used to support Morale Activities for the Corp of Cadets.

Don't forget, Chapter Parents...You can use this care package service as well! Some of you live quite a distance from the Academy and are not able to get to New London as often as you would like. Or perhaps you would like to surprise your cadet with some treats. The chapter has also negotiated great deals with local eateries to help you provide the all-popular gift certificates for your cadets to enjoy when they have liberty.

Thanks to the summer supporting staff of volunteers for helping to continue this great Chapter Fund Raiser.

Anyone wanting to assist should contact Sheila O'Donnell at [odonnellsm@comcast.net](mailto:odonnellsm@comcast.net) to assure that this program continues to be successful.

## CHAPTER MEETING DATES

August 21, 2005

October 16, 2005

January 22, 2006

March 12, 2006

April 23, 2006

Please bring a dessert to share. All extras will be wrapped and delivered to The Day Rooms of each Company as well as the Watch Office. The Cadets always appreciate these homemade treats!



Look for a date for STARS DESSERT soon.

Involvement means just being there, helping to set up and clean up, and scooping some ice cream. It's that simple. You get to see your cadet and his/her friends and donate your time to a worthwhile event. It's a WIN-WIN.

We appreciate all of you who have come forward to volunteer in so many areas! Thank you!



## HOST FAMILY PROGRAM

CT area CGA families are all so fortunate to be able to drive down to CGA on a moment's notice and be there for our cadets and all their friends. As you can imagine, some out-of-state swabs and their families are not so fortunate in being able to see each other on Reporting In day.

Once again, Connecticut families have pulled together to welcome new swabs entering the academy from all over the country. The chapter families welcomed new swabs entering the academy from all over the country. Jay and Sheila Dubinsky (Jayme '05 and Mike '07) spent countless hours coordinating the host family program, an annual service developed and provided by the Capt. Paul Foye chapter.

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### Host Family Program (cont'd)

Seventeen young men and women requested hosting this year. The Host Families provided transportation from the airport, housing for one or two nights, and a comforting presence as they delivered the SWABS to the Academy for Reporting In. Eleven families hosted these incoming cadets whom arrived from the following states/territories/countries:

Colorado, Florida, Alaska, Utah, Washington State, Virgin Islands, Thailand, California, Hawaii, Missouri, Spain

Connecticut area host families included:

Bob & Anne Lally  
Debby Schmitz  
Ted & Stephanie Cyr  
Mark & Joanne Comerford  
Brian & Jane Holzman  
Dave & Dianne Grim  
Barbara Fainer  
Harriet Potts & James Roscoe  
John & Gerri Milici  
Jeff & Kathy Sorrell  
Chris & Carl Morello

Additionally this year the Chapter helped out by hosting two AIMster's. Jay and Sheila Dubinsky hosted an international AIMster from Guam prior to her return flight home. Carl and Chris Morello picked up a Maryland AIMster from the University of Rhode Island Soccer Camp on Friday. She stayed with them overnight and they accompanied her to Reporting In for AIMster's on Saturday. En-route to URI our '07 Cadet received a phone call request for assistance in picking up to '07 classmates from Providence airport. Our Friday evening dinner grew to double the

normal size quickly. This interaction for the AIMster was a fantastic opportunity to get a "real" feel for life as a Cadet as she had '07 cadets very skillfully promoting the benefits of an Academy education. In a recent thank you note received from this young woman, while originally she didn't think that she would want to attend the CGA, after AIM and her discussions with our son and his guests, CGA is her first choice and she anxiously awaits the application to become available on-line.



### 2005-06 Membership Dues – DUE NOW!

<http://www.uscgaparents.org/chapter/CaptPaulFoye/Membership.htm>

Chapter member's four year combined dues provides gifts for each member's graduating Firstie. The graduation gifts consists of a handsome travel alarm clock engraved with the Cadet's name, class year and a note of congratulations along with cash to assist them in traveling to their first billet assignment.

Please renew your membership by printing and filling out a membership form (available in PDF format on our website link above) and mail as indicated on the form. There is an annual membership fee of \$25.00. Please include a check with your renewal application.

### Cadet Transportation Endowment

To support the establishment of the Cadet Transportation Endowment, the National Parent's Association is asking each family to assist in the establishment of the endowment by making a \$30 donation. When this endowment is fully funded, the

Cadet Transportation Endowment cont'd

Activities fee that the Cadet's are required to pay can be reduced. The membership form allows for the inclusion of this payment along with this year's membership dues. Thanks again for your support of our Cadets through our Chapter activities.

ADMISSIONS ASSISTANCE

A call went out from the Admissions office for help during the AIM program for CGA parents to answer questions at the AIM parents Admissions presentations during three consecutive Thursday sessions. A great group of Connecticut parents stepped forward and took time out of their summer schedule to support the 100's of families that attended these programs who are interested in the Coast Guard Academy experience.

Also during Reporting in Day for CGRIT and NAPS Chapter parents assisted admissions by being available to answer questions for these soon to be Cadet families.

Future Admissions Assistance information dates:

Admissions Open House - Saturday,  
September 24, 2005

Super Saturday (for  
underrepresented students)

Saturday, October 22, 2005

Saturday, November 19, 2005

Saturday, January 7, 2006.

Eclipse Weekend (multicultural  
celebration with Connecticut College) April  
7-9, 2005.

Want to assist? send us an email with your date choices and we will forward details when they become available.

On behalf of the Chapter, 16 Chapter Cadets of the Class of 2005 were given an Engraved Traveling Alarm Clock and a monetary gift for moving expenses. These two notes of appreciation were received from the "new" Ensign's.

*Connecticut Parents Association,  
I would like to thank you all  
not only for your gifts for graduation,  
but also for everything you've done  
for me and all the other cadets  
for the past four years. From  
organizing the picnic in the spring before  
swab summer to serving the stars'  
icecream dessert, you help make the  
Academy more like home. Thank you  
again!*  
*Jayne Dubinsky*

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Morello,

Thank you very much for the  
generous gift and beautiful  
engraved clock. The support and  
generosity of the Connecticut  
Parents Association has always been  
appreciated. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Emily Morrison