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From: Commander, Naval Education and Training Command

Subj: FISCAL YEAR 2025 SAILOR OF THE YEAR CEREMONY

Encl: (1) Sequence of Events
(2) Ceremony Area Diagram

1. Purpose. To provide information, outline procedures, and assign responsibilities for conducting the subject ceremony. Enclosures (1) and (2) provide guidance and should be reviewed in their entirety.

2. Background. Recognition of the 2025 Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) Sailor of the Year (SOY). A ceremony will be conducted at the National Naval Aviation Museum (NNAM) Atrium, in Pensacola, Florida, at 1100 on Thursday, 7 May 2026.

3. Action. The following duties and responsibilities are assigned:

a. NCCM Elbert Tamondong: Will serve as Master of Ceremonies (M/C) and Action Officer. Responsible for the overall coordination of event.

b. First Lieutenant: Position ceremonial bullets, ship's bell, 150 chairs, podium, and display table in the NNAM atrium. Place a "VIP" parking sign at NNAM parking lot.

c. Public Affairs Officer (PAO): Provide official photography services.

4. Uniform

a. Participants: E6 and junior - Service Dress White
E7 and senior - Service Dress White

b. Guests: Uniform of the Day (Military)
Business Casual (Civilian)

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5. Rehearsal. A rehearsal for key participants will be held at the NNAM at 1000 on Thursday, 7 May 2026. Key personnel are:

M/C: NCCM Tamondong
SOY Coordinator: MMCM Inigo
Force Master Chief (FORCM): FORCM Hodges
Flag Secretary: LT Gray
Protocol Officer: Mr. Tod Schuls
First Lieutenant: GM1 Lewis
SOY Finalists:
 HT1 Bailey
 STS1 Gore
 AWS1 Jorgensen
 ND1 Powell
Honors Boatswain (Bos'n): BM2 Alcorn
Sideboys: Information Warfare Training Command students
Bell Ringer: YN1 Kost

6. Records Management

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b. For questions concerning the management of records related to this notice or the records disposition schedules, please contact the local records manager.



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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

0900 COORDINATOR AND WORKING PARTY: ACCESS CEREMONY AREA, ENSURE ALL EQUIPMENT IS PROPERLY RIGGED AND READY FOR THE CEREMONY.

0915 DESIGNATED PERSONNEL MUSTER WITH COORDINATOR.

1000 CEREMONY REHERSAL

1030 PHOTOGRAPHER SET UP AND IN PLACE.

1045 BOS'N, SIDEBOYS, AND BELL RINGER ASSEMBLE IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

1045 RADM HUFFMAN ARRIVES AND AWAITS CEREMONY START.

1045 M/C IN PLACE.

1055 M/C **"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEATS. OUR CEREMONY WILL BEGIN IN APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES." AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES. THANK YOU."**

NOTE: NETC PROTOCOL OFFICER WILL GIVE RADM HUFFMAN AND GUESTS A SIGNAL (GUESTS WAITING INSIDE LIBRARY AND ART GALLERY).

1100 M/C **"GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. WELCOME TO THE 2025 NAVAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND SAILOR OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION CEREMONY."**

"WOULD THE GUESTS PLEASE RISE FOR THE ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY. MILITARY" PERSONNEL IN UNIFORM, COVER."

M/C "BOS'N, STRIKE SIX BELLS."

M/C "NAVAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND,
ARRIVING."

BOS'N PIPES THE SIDE.

AUDIO PLAY TWO RUFFLES AND FLOURISHES AND
VISUAL ADMIRAL'S MARCH.
(A/V)

NOTE: NAVAL AIR TECHNICAL TRAINING
CENTER (NATTC) COLOR GUARD WILL
PRESENT COLORS.

M/C "WILL THE GUESTS PLEASE REMAIN STANDING
FOR THE NATIONAL ANTHEM AND INVOCATION."

M/C "COLOR GUARD . . . PARADE THE COLORS."

NATTC COLOR PARADES THE COLORS.
GUARD

A/V PLAYS NATIONAL ANTHEM.

M/C "COLOR GUARD . . . RETIRE THE COLORS."

M/C "CHAPLAIN COX WILL NOW DELIVER THE
INVOCATION."

CHAPLAIN DELIVERS INVOCATION.

M/C "THANK YOU CHAPLAIN COX."

M/C "GUESTS, PLEASE BE SEATED. MILITARY,
UNCOVER."

NOTE: OFFICIAL PARTY TAKES SEATS ON
STAGE.

BOS'N GIVES ORDER TO SIDEBOYS TO TAKE THEIR
SEATS.

M/C "GOOD MORNING ADMIRAL HUFFMAN, ADMIRAL POTTENBURGH, ADMIRAL NOWAKOWSKI, COMMANDING OFFICERS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS, COMMAND MASTER CHIEFS, FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS. I AM MASTER CHIEF TAMONDONG, AND IT IS MY HONOR TO BE YOUR MASTER OF CEREMONIES FOR THIS MOST PRESTIGIOUS EVENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING WITH US TODAY. WE ARE TRULY PLEASED TO HAVE YOU HERE, AND I KNOW YOUR PRESENCE MEANS A GREAT DEAL TO OUR FINALISTS."

M/C "WE ARE HERE TODAY TO RECOGNIZE FOUR EXCEPTIONAL SAILORS AND ANNOUNCE OUR SELECTION OF THE 2025 NAVAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND SAILOR OF THE YEAR. EACH OF THESE SAILORS ARE OUTSTANDING EXAMPLES OF THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST OUR NAVY HAS TO OFFER. THEY SHOULD EACH BE COMMENDED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS, DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT TO THE MISSION OF THEIR INDIVIDUAL COMMANDS AND THE NAVY AS A WHOLE. IT IS NO SMALL TASK THEY HAVE MADE IT THIS FAR. I AM PERSONALLY PROUD AND HONORED TO BE HERE WITH THEM TODAY."

M/C "IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE NAVAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND FORCE MASTER CHIEF, BEN HODGES."

FORCM REMARKS.

FORCM "AND NOW, WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, LET'S MEET THE FINALISTS."

A/V QUEUE SLIDESHOW ON BIG SCREEN.

NOTE: FINALISTS WILL ENTER FROM THE BACK OF THE CEREMONY AREA AS THEIR NAME IS CALLED AND STAND IN FRONT OF THE STAGE FACING THE AUDIENCE.

FORCM

"HULL MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN FIRST CLASS
BOBBY BAILEY."

"HT1 BAILEY IS STATIONED AT SURFACE
WARFARE ENGINEERING SCHOOL IN GREAT
LAKES, ILLINOIS, AND WAS SELECTED AS THE
SURFACE WARFARE ENGINEERING SCHOOLS
COMMAND (SWESC) SAILOR OF THE YEAR. HE
SERVES AS THE LEADING PETTY OFFICER OF
SWESC AND COURSE SUPERVISOR FOR THE HT
"A" SCHOOL COURSE, WHERE HE LED 11
INSTRUCTORS THROUGH THE DELIVERY OF 9,000
CURRICULUM HOURS AND GRADUATED 500 FLEET-
READY SAILORS. HE WAS RANKED #1 OF 136
HIGHLY COMPETITIVE FIRST-CLASS PETTY
OFFICERS, AND HIS SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE
AND TECHNICAL ACUMEN EARNED HIM THE PETER
TOBARA TRAINING EXCELLENCE AWARD. A
NATIVE OF PORT GIBSON, MISSISSIPPI, PETTY
OFFICER BAILEY HAS PROUDLY SERVED 10
YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY."

FORCM

"SONAR TECHNICIAN SUBMARINE FIRST CLASS
JUSTIN GORE."

"STS1 GORE IS STATIONED AT TRIDENT
TRAINING FACILITY IN BANGOR, WASHINGTON,
AND WAS SELECTED AS HIS COMMAND'S SAILOR
OF THE YEAR. HE SERVES AS THE LEADING
PETTY OFFICER FOR THE MODERNIZATION
TRAINING TEAM, WHERE HE LED 10
INSTRUCTORS THROUGH 12 COURSE CONVENINGS,
RESULTING IN THE CERTIFICATION OF FIVE
SUBMARINE CREWS. HIS TECHNICAL EXPERTISE
WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN TRAINING 26 SUBMARINE
CREWS, AND HE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED
TO SUPPORT USS HENRY M. JACKSON (SSBN
730) AS SONAR DIVISION LEADING CHIEF
PETTY OFFICER DURING A STRATEGIC PATROL.
HE WAS RANKED AMONG TOP PERFORMING FIRST
CLASS PETTY OFFICERS AT HIS COMMAND. A
NATIVE OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, PETTY
OFFICER GORE HAS PROUDLY SERVED 19 YEARS

Enclosure (1)

FORCM IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY."
"NAVAL AIRCREWMAN FIRST CLASS JEFFREY
JORGENSEN."

"AWS1 JORGENSEN IS STATIONED AT NAVAL AIR
TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER IN PENSACOLA,
FLORIDA, AND WAS SELECTED AS THE NAVAL
AIR TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER SAILOR
OF THE YEAR. HE SERVES AS THE LEADING
PETTY OFFICER OF THE AVIATION WARFARE "A"
SCHOOL, WHERE HE LED 34 INSTRUCTORS IN
THE TECHNICAL TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT OF 460 STUDENTS.
ADDITIONALLY, HE COORDINATED THE CAREER
TRAINING CONTINUUM INITIATIVE ACROSS
FIVE AIRCREW COURSES, ENSURING SUBJECT
MATTER EXPERT SUPPORT FOR 243 HOURS OF
CONTENT REVIEW. HE WAS RANKED #1 OF 263
HIGHLY COMPETITIVE FIRST-CLASS PETTY
OFFICERS. A NATIVE OF NOVI, MICHIGAN,
PETTY OFFICER JORGENSEN HAS PROUDLY
SERVED 17 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES
NAVY."

FORCM "NAVY DIVER FIRST CLASS MARK POWELL."

ND1 POWELL IS STATIONED AT NAVAL DIVING
AND SALVAGE TRAINING CENTER IN PANAMA
CITY, FLORIDA, AND WAS SELECTED AS THE
NAVY DIVING AND SALVAGE TRAINING CENTER
SENIOR SAILOR OF THE YEAR. HE SERVES AS
THE TRAINING TEAM ONE LEADING PETTY
OFFICER. IN THIS ROLE, HE LED 10
INSTRUCTORS THROUGH 210 DIVES AND 2,012
HOURS OF CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION AND
COURSES PRODUCING 158 MILITARY DIVERS.
ADDITIONALLY, HE LED A HIGH-VISIBILITY
DIVE FOR TWO EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL
GROUP COMMODORES, REINFORCING OPERATIONAL
TRUST. HE WAS RANKED #1 OF 33 EXTREMELY
COMPETITIVE FIRST-CLASS PETTY OFFICERS.
A NATIVE OF WHITESTONE, VIRGINIA, PETTY
OFFICER POWELL HAS PROUDLY SERVED 10
YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY."

FORCM "LET'S GIVE OUR FINALISTS A ROUND OF
APPLAUSE."

FORCM "AT THIS TIME, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE
TO INTRODUCE THE 22ND COMMANDER OF NAVAL
EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND, REAR
ADMIRAL HUFFMAN."

RADM REMARKS.
HUFFMAN

RADM "AND NOW, FOR THE MOMENT WE'VE ALL BEEN
HUFFMAN WAITING FOR, THE 2025 NAVAL EDUCATION AND
TRAINING COMMAND SAILOR OF THE YEAR
IS..."

NOTE: THE THREE RUNNERS-UP WILL PERFORM
A LEFT FACE MOVEMENT AND MOVE TO
THE RIGHT OF STAGE UNTIL THEY ARE
CALLED BACK TO THE STAGE.

M/C ONCE SELECTEE REACHES CENTER STAGE:
"ATTENTION TO AWARD."

M/C READS CITATION.

NOTE: M/C READS AWARD WHILE RADM
HUFFMAN PRESENTS AWARD. PROTOCOL
WILL WALK AWARD TO STAGE WITH
MEDAL. ONCE PHOTO IS TAKEN,
PROTOCOL WILL RETRIEVE.

M/C "THE SAILOR OF THE YEAR IS ALSO RECEIVING
A BRONZE EAGLE PRESENTED BY USAA."

NOTE: SAILOR OF THE YEAR DEPARTS THE
STAGE TO THE RIGHT AFTER RECEIVING
AWARD, PLAQUE, AND EAGLE.

M/C "WILL THE THREE REMAINING FINALISTS
PLEASE JOIN ADMIRAL HUFFMAN ON THE
STAGE."

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**M/C "OUR THREE FINALISTS WILL RECEIVE A
PLAQUE AND A CRYSTAL EAGLE PRESENTED BY
USAA."**

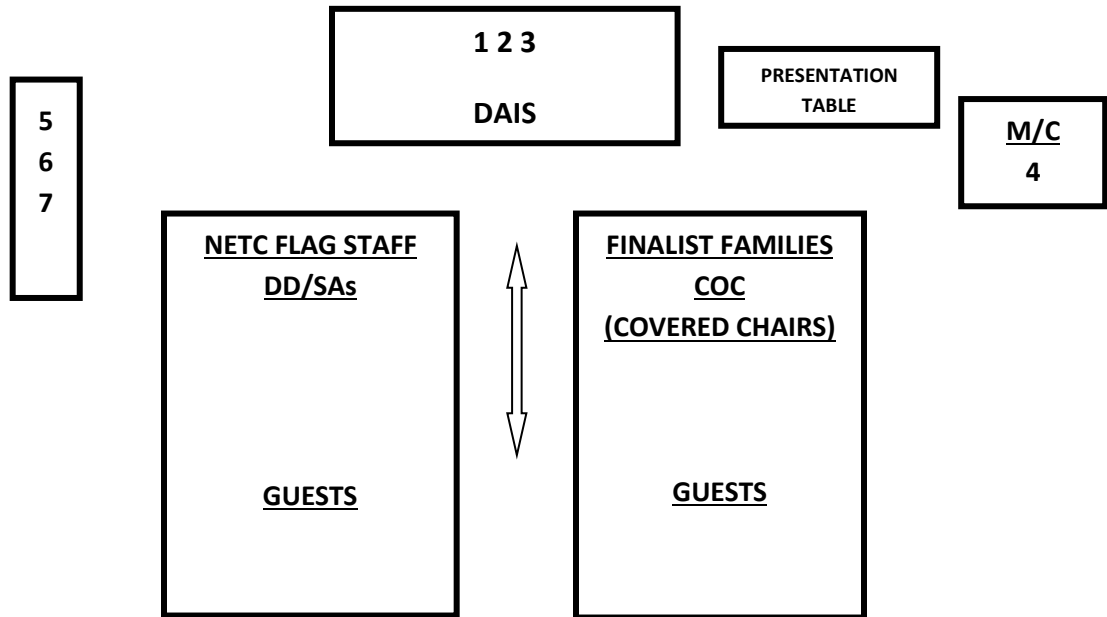
NOTE: ONCE ALL FINALISTS HAVE RECEIVED
 THEIR AWARD, SOY WILL REJOIN THE
 FORMATION AT CENTER STAGE.

**M/C "PLEASE GIVE THESE OUTSTANDING SAILORS
ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE."**

**M/C "THIS CONCLUDES OUR CEREMONY. THANK YOU
FOR ATTENDING."**

Enclosure (1)

CEREMONY AREA DIAGRAM



1. CHAPLAIN COX
2. RADM HUFFMAN
3. FORCM HODGES
4. MASTER CHIEF TAMONDONG
5. BELL RINGER
6. HONORS BOATSWAIN
7. SIDEBOYS