

prise for VR-56. Passenger John Lehman, then outgoing Secretary of the Navy, presented the squadron with a Meritorious Unit Commendation for air transportation service provided the Office of the Secretary from January 1985 to March 1987. Accepting the award for VR-56 were pilots Commander Michael Schum and Lieutenant Commander Barry Enerson and air crew members AEC Edwin Wunderlin and AMH1 Robert Gotte.

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Thirty-three Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Awards were presented to local businesses by members of NAVBASE GUAM MARIANAS Det 318 in the first three months of 1987.

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Seaman Ralph Radford of OI Det 1222 at Naval Reserve Center Seattle, Washington, spent three weeks of Active Duty for Training in West Africa photographing crewmen from tank landing ship USS HARLAN COUNTY (LST-1196). The sailors provided good will services to the nations. Other Selected Reservists who served on the ship during separate training periods were Lieutenant Commanders Stephen F. Bornet and Norris E. Jones, Lieutenant Nathan E. Jones, Chief Journalists James R. Boile and Carl L. Henderson, and Photographer's Mate First Class Patrick K. Smith.

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Chief Aerographer's Mate Kenneth Barnett of South Weymouth's Naval Oceanography Command Detachment became one of the first Active Navy chief petty officer weather forecasters this fiscal year to transfer to the TAR (Training and Administration of the Reserve) program. Forecasters have been transitioning to fill 100 billets in the reinstated Aerographer's Mate TAR program. About 20 years ago, the last of the Aerographer's Mate billets transferred to the regular Navy; the new program will draw from the Selected Reserve, from the Regular Navy and from Recruit Training Commands.

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Liberty Weekend '86 featured the International Naval Review passing the rededicated Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor. For their part in the success of the ship parade, Reservists in Office of Information Detachment 102 have been named co-winners in the Navy's top award for excellence in public affairs, the Grand Prize of the Admiral Thompson Award. The activity also won the Public Relation Society of America's Silver Anvil Award as one of the best PR projects in the country for the same period.