

"Newseyletter" Decatur Chapter No. 4, USCS

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Revised chapter cover



Decatur Chapter recently revised our USS Dallas SSN-700 "Returns from final Deployment" cover. The Navy announced that this was the submarines final deployment. But in the past month or so, the USN changed its mind and has returned the DALLAS to normal duties, replacing her with the USS NORFOLK SSN-714. By deactivating the USS NORFOLK and not DALLAS, the USN reports that it will save \$10 million dollars.

If you purchased one of the covers, please return it for a revised cover as shown above.

Commissioning rescheduled for ND submarine

beaumontenterprise.com
 BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) The commissioning of a new attack submarine that will become USS North Dakota SSN-784 has been rescheduled. KXMB-TV reports that the commissioning for the \$2.6 billion vessel will be held on Oct. 25 at the Navy shipyard in Groton, Connecticut. The U S Navy says an earlier commissioning set for May was postponed because additional work was required on the bow of a new attack submarine.





Commissioning Ceremony Sta.


**Groton Ct 06340
 OCT 25, 2014**

The submarine is the 11th in the Virginia class of ships. The 377-foot-long submarine will be able to launch Tomahawk cruise missiles, deliver special forces and carry out surveillance.

Chapter sponsored pictorials in progress

Decatur Chapter has the following pictorials in progress or in the request stage. Designs may change before issuance, and some await approval:

		60th Anniversary Sta. 1954 - 2014 Groton CT 06340
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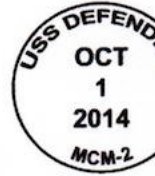
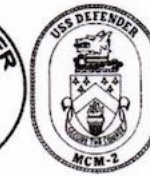
	USS PENNSYLVANIA (SSN-735) 25th Anniversary Sta. September 9 2014 Groton, CT 06340
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		Pharmacist's Mate Second Class William David Halyburton, Jr. "Not for self but for Country" Last Day in Commission Sta. Naval Station Mayport Jacksonville, FL 32228
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		20th Anniversary Station Norfolk VA 23513
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		Decommissioning Station Pearl Harbor Honolulu HI 96818
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Thanks to member Wolfgang Hechler for his work on these

designs and a couple that we were unable to submit due to time constraints.

Our next project - 225th Anniversary of the U S Coast Guard

Next August 4th 2015 will be the 225th Anniversary of the U S Coast Guard. The chapter has embarked on a project to have 16 pictorials issued by the U S Postal Service, one at each designated Coast Guard City USA on Coast Guard Day 4 August 2015. Preliminary work has started and each post office will be contacted early to be sure that know what we need in a pictorial cancel. Too many offices simply have no knowledge about pictorials, so I will start early so I can educate those that are clueless. The list includes:

1. Alameda CA
2. Astoria OR
3. Clearwater FL
4. Eureka CA
5. Grand Haven MI
6. Kodiak AK
7. Mobile AL
8. Newburyport MA
9. Newport OR
10. Portsmouth VA
11. Rockland ME
12. Saint Mary's GA (Camden County "A Coast Guard Community")
13. Sitka AK
14. Sturgeon Bay WI
15. Traverse City MI
16. Wilmington NC



Proposed cancel for 2015 designed by Richard Porcelli