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USS CHANCELLORSVILLE (CG 62)
1993 KEY CHRONOLOGICAL EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
01 Jan	Commence second Christmas leave period
07 Jan	End of second Christmas leave period Grand re-opening of the messdeck
09 Jan	Ship hosts a Recruit Training Company tour
11 Jan	Underway for Tailored Ship's Training Availability Phase I
13 Jan	UNREP with USNS JOHN ERICSSON Moor NAVSTA San Diego
14 - 15 Jan	Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification
20 - 21 Jan	Underway for Pacific Missile Test Range
29 Jan	Family Pre-deployment Fair
31 Jan	ENC(SW) Umayam's Retirement Ceremony
8 - 18 Feb	Pre-Overseas Movement
16 Feb	Brief stop for ammunition, NAS North Island, CA
19 Feb	Underway WESTPAC '93 HSL-45 Det 5 Fly-on
25 Feb	Moor Naval Magazine Lualualei Moor NAVSTA Pearl Harbor, HI
27 Feb	Black History Month Program
28 Feb	Underway enroute Guam
03 Mar	Cross International Date Line
07 Mar	Moor NAVSTA Guam
08 Mar	COMNAVMARIANAS hosts Navy League of Guam reception and tour onboard CTRC Atkins retirement ceremony
09 Mar	Underway enroute Singapore
15 Mar	Moor Sembawang, Singapore

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
18 Mar	Underway enroute Penang, Malaysia
19 Mar	Anchor Penang, Malaysia
21 Mar	Community Relations Project - Penang School for Spastic Children
22 Mar	U.S. Ambassador to Malaysia and Governor of Penang VIP luncheon and tour
23 Mar	Underway enroute Arabian Gulf
24 Mar	Turnover with USS COWPENS (CG 63) UNREP with USNS Walter S. DIEHL
28 Mar	INCHOP COMUSNAVCENT AOR
31 Mar	Transit the Straits of Hormuz Turnover with USS HEWITT (DD 966)
01 Apr	Arrive North Arabian Gulf (NAG) Commence escort duty with USS NIMITZ (CVN 68) UNREP with USS NIMITZ
04 Apr	Anchor Sitrah Anchorage, Bahrain
06 Apr	VADM Katz, COMUSNAVCENT, visit
09 Apr	Underway NAG
11 Apr	Easter Services held onboard
16 Apr	UNREP USNS PECOS
18 Apr	Arrive Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE)
24 Apr	Underway enroute NAG
26 Apr	UNREP and VERTREP with USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3)
01 May	130th Anniversary of the Battle of Chancellorsville
02 May	UNREP and VERTREP with USS KANSAS CITY UNREP with USS NIMITZ
10 May	UNREP USNS PECOS

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11 May	Moor Dubai, UAE
18 May	Underway enroute NAG
19 May	"Half-way" Day
20 May	UNREP with USS NIMITZ
27 May	VERTREP with USNS SPICA UNREP with USNS PECOS
02 Jun	Navy Relief Pizza and Bingo Night
05 Jun	UNREP with USNS PECOS
06 Jun	Anchor Sitrah Anchorage, Bahrain
09 Jun	Ship's Picnic and Pool Party, ASU Bahrain
16 Jun	Awards Ceremony
17 Jun	Anchor Sitrah Anchorage, Bahrain to offload crippled Desert Duck
18 Jun	UNREP and VERTREP with USNS WALTER S. DIEHL
22 Jun	Mina Al-Bakr Oil Terminal surveillance USS NIMITZ Battlegroup outchop NAVCENT AOR
26 Jun	Tomahawk Cruise Missile Strike
27 Jun	Embark Midshipmen
30 Jun	Anchor Sitrah Anchorage, Bahrain
02 Jul	Underway enroute Central Arabian Gulf
03 Jul	Turnover with USS O'BRIEN (DD 97) Transit Straits of Hormuz enroute Diego Garcia
04 Jul	Cookout, Talent Show and 21 Gun Salute to the Nation
05 - 16 Jul	Command Assessment of Readiness for Training (CART) Phase I
07 Jul	OUTCHOP NAVCENT AOR

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08 Jul	Cross the Equator
09 Jul	HSL-45 Det 5 exceeds 1000 deployment flight hours
10 Jul	Moor Diego Garcia Underway enroute Fremantle, Australia
16 Jul	Awards Ceremony
17 Jul	Moor Fremantle, Australia
18 - 22 Jul	Ship hosts daily tours open to the public
20 Jul	Community Relations Project - Radio Lollipop Ship hosts VIP luncheon - Director of Port, Speaker of WA House of Representatives, American Counsel
22 Jul	Underway enroute Sydney, Australia
28 Jul	Moor Sydney, Australia Midshipmen Debark Ship hosts United States Information Service Media Tour
29 Jul	Ship hosts VIP luncheon - Director of Tourism/Commerce for New South Wales, American Counsel
29 Jun	Community Relations Project - Ronald McDonald House visit
02 Aug	Underway enroute Pago Pago, American Samoa
03 Aug	Cross International Date Line
06 Aug	Moor Pago Pago, American Samoa Ship hosts luncheon - Secretary of Treasury Underway Pearl Harbor, HI
10 Aug	Awards Ceremony
11 Aug	Moor NAVMAG Lualualei Moor NAVSTA Pearl Harbor, HI Perspective Commanding Officer Arrives
12 Aug	TIGERS Arrive
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<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
13 Aug	Underway Enroute San Diego, CA
18 Aug	Channel Fever Night
19 Aug	Moor San Diego, CA
28 Aug	Change of Command
11 Sep	Ship hosts Nuclear Propulsion Officer Candidates tour
15 Sep	Ship hosts International Surface Warfare Officers School tour
20 Sep	Underway enroute Pacific Missile Test Range Onload CNO Project 251 missile, NAS North Island Commence 1994 Combined Federal Campaign
21 - 22 Sep	Fire two Tomahawk missiles - CNO Project 251
23 Sep	UNREP with USNS GUADALUPE
24 Sep	Moor NAVSTA San Diego
30 Sep	Ship hosts National City Chamber of Commerce tour
02 Oct	Ship hosts Reserve Public Affairs Officers tour
04 Oct	Underway enroute Seal Beach, CA
05 Oct	Moor Seal Beach Commence Ammunition Offload
07 Oct	Complete Ammunition Offload Underway enroute San Francisco, CA Commence COMPTUEX 94-2T
09 Oct	Moor outboard USS COWPENS (CG 63) and USS WILLIAM H. STANDLEY (CG 32), San Francisco Commence Fleet Week 1993
13 Oct	Commence CNO Project 176 - Heavy Weather Rast
14 Oct	Complete Fleet Week 1993 Underway enroute Everett, WA UNREP with USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3) Complete COMPTUEX 94-2T

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17 Oct	Moor Everett, WA Complete CNO Project 176
18 Oct	COMREL Projects - cleaning/painting local American Legion Office and cleaning/painting Rosehill Community Center, Mukilteo, WA
19 Oct	Ship hosts Everett High School Students tour
21 Oct	Underway enroute Vancouver, B.C. Moor Vancouver Ship hosts Everett Navy League guests during trip to Vancouver
23 Oct	Community Relations Project - Children's Hospital visit
25 Oct	Underway enroute San Diego
28 Oct	Onload NAS North Island Moor NAVSTA San Diego
30 Oct	Underway enroute Pacific Missile Test Range
01 Nov	Missile Exercise 94-1
03 Nov	Moor NAVSTA San Diego
04 Nov	CHANCELLORSVILLE's Fourth Birthday Ceremony
06 Nov	Ship's Picnic
08 Nov	Underway SOCAL OPAREA
10 Nov	Moor NAVSTA San Diego
11 Nov	Ship hosts Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps tour
13 Nov	Ship hosts Russian Financial Dignitaries tour
15 Nov	DSRA-2 Commences
18 Nov	Ship enters dry dock - NASSCO Shipyard
10 Dec	Ship's Christmas Party
12 Dec	Ship's Children's Christmas Party

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16 Dec	Awards Ceremony
17 Dec	Commence first Christmas leave period
20 Dec	Cruiser-Destroyer Group Five visits
27 Dec	End of first Christmas leave period Commence second Christmas leave period

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USS CHANCELLORSVILLE (CG 62)
1993 COMMAND NARRATIVE

The new year started with the completion of the Christmas leave and upkeep period and the grand re-opening of the messdecks. The messdecks received a \$50,000 "face lift" which included a new deck, new tables and chairs, a new salad bar and new wall covering.

The ship had a busy training schedule in preparation for deployment in April. The training began with Total Ship Training Availability Phase I (TSTA I). TSTA I is a two week period during which the Afloat Training Group trains the ship's training teams in order that the ship's training teams can train the ship.

TSTA I was cut short by the announcement that the ship was to deploy seven weeks early. The ship's operational tempo increased from an already high level to a very high level. Many preparations were required to deploy fully mission capable. Some of these preparations included the installation of a mast mounted optical sight, the installation of an INMARSAT satellite communications system, the qualification of the tactical cruise missile teams, and the preparation of hundreds of powers-of-attorney and other dependent requirements.

On a cold and rainy day, 19 February, with all requirements met and preparations made, CHANCELLORSVILLE deployed on WESTPAC '93. The ship had been joined for deployment by Helicopter Squadron Light Four Five Detachment Five. HSL-45 Det 5's Officer-in-Charge was LCDR Thomas Webber, USN. He along with 5 other officers and nineteen enlisted personnel kept the two LAMPS III helicopters flying throughout the six month deployment.

After a brief stop in Hawaii for fuel and ammunition, the ship proceeded to Guam. COMNAVMARIANAS, RADM Kristenson hosted the Navy League of Guam to an evening tour and reception onboard CHANCELLORSVILLE. The crew enjoyed Guam's natural beauty and exceptional scuba diving opportunities. The ship also replenished fuel, stores, and ammunition.

A daylight transit of the Straits of Bernardino offered a beautiful back-drop for a day long picnic during the transit to Singapore. Once in Singapore, the crew enjoyed the city's shopping, food and various cultural experiences.

Only a one day trip from Singapore, Penang, Malaysia was the next port of call during WESTPAC '93. The "Pearl of the Orient" offered many affordable shops, beach front hotel rooms and tasty restaurants. The wardroom hosted the U.S. Ambassador and the Governor of Penang for lunch and a tour. While in Penang, 15 crew members participated in a community relations project at a school for spastic children. The project included distributing Project Handclasp material and general cleaning about the school.

After an aggressive training program enroute, CHANCELLORSVILLE reported to Commander U.S. Naval Forces Central Command on 28 March. The transit through the Straits of Hormuz on the 31st was followed by four days of escort duty with USS NIMITZ in the North Arabian Gulf. VADM Katz's welcome to the Arabian Gulf Operating Area on 06 April was followed by a series of informative briefs from his staff.

The next three months were filled with escort duty in the NAG, port visits to Bahrain and Dubai, UAE, and air surveillance operations in the NAG. Highlights of the time spent include a Navy Relief Pizza and Bingo Night in June, a ship's picnic and pool party in Bahrain, sand skiing in Dubai, and shopping for rugs and gold.

On 17 June, the Desert Duck, a helicopter that transported mail and personnel from Bahrain to ships operating in the Gulf, had a mechanical problem which prevented the Duck from lifting off deck. The ship had to anchor in Bahrain, crane the helicopter off, and return to the NAG, all in one evening.

On 26 June, the ship launched nine Tomahawk missiles at the Iraqi Intelligence Center in Baghdad in retaliation for the aborted assassination attempt on former President Bush. The presidential order came to the ship via NAVCENT. At 2330 local, the ship launched the missiles from a position in the NAG. At the same time, USS PETERSON (DD 969) launched a coordinated attack of fourteen Tomahawks from the Red Sea.

The day after the missile launch, two first class midshipmen and two third class midshipmen joined the ship for summer training. The midshipmen learned what shipboard life is like through Sydney, Australia.

As CHANCELLORSVILLE left the Arabian Gulf AOR, the crew enjoyed a Fourth of July Celebration which included a 21 gun salute to the nation. The crew also enjoyed a traditional crossing the line ceremony. Neptunus Rex and all of his cohorts visited the ship to rid it of Slimy Wogs.

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Command Assessment of Readiness for Training (CART) Phase I was conducted during the trip to Fremantle, Australia. The ship identified schools and team training required during the upcoming shipyard period and developed a plan to obtain the requirements. After a brief stop for fuel and supplies in Diego Garcia the ship continued on to Fremantle. While in Diego Garcia, the ship was painted from the water line up, in preparation for the port visits in Australia.

The ship arrived safely in Fremantle, the port city of Perth Australia. The passage from Diego Garcia to Fremantle was the worst of the entire year. The ship experienced five days of seas that rolled the ship constantly, occasionally as much as thirty degrees. Most of the crew were in their racks when not on watch.

Most crew members will admit however, that the visit to Australia was worth the high seas experienced enroute. While in Fremantle, ship hosted public tours daily and a high school journalism class tour. Eight members of the crew participated in a community relations project which consisted of participating in Radio Lollipop at Princess Margaret Children's Hospital. Radio Lollipop consisted of the volunteers being interviewed on a radio program broadcast to the children in the hospital. The broadcast was followed by a period of personal interaction with some of the children. The ship also hosted a luncheon for the American Counsel and the Leader of the House of Representatives for West Australia.

The ship got underway on 22 July so that the crew could rest in preparation for its visit to Sydney. The ship was welcomed by several familiar faces. Several of the crew's wives coordinated a flight to Sydney and were waiting on the pier upon the ship's arrival. While the Captain went off to visit city dignitaries the Public Affairs Officer hosted a tour of local media. On 24 July, the Wardroom hosted several dignitaries for lunch, including local businessmen, the NSW Director of Arts and Tourism and the American Counsel. Nine crew members assembled playground equipment at the Ronald McDonald House at Prince of Wales Children's Hospital. Many crew members considered Sydney the best port of the entire deployment.

Pago Pago, American Samoa was the next port of call during the return transit. The ship only stayed long enough to receive fuel however, the crew enjoyed the warm hospitality of the island people. Ten crew members distributed Project Handclasp materials through the Department of the Interior to a local hospital and a public school. The wardroom hosted a lunch for the American Governor of Somoa, who was represented at the luncheon by the Secretary of the Treasury.

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Pearl Harbor meant the end of deployment was in sight. Several crew members flew back to San Diego from Hawaii. Eighty-three male friends and family joined the crew for the transit to San Diego. The TIGERS enjoyed a week filled with gun shoots, a DC Olympics and a Steel Beach Picnic. Between the fresh ocean air, the good navy chow and the fun filled days, most TIGERS had no problem falling asleep at the end of the day.

After six months of hard work and waiting both on ship and at home, families and friends were reunited on a sunny Thursday morning, 19 August. The long weekend was followed by a busy week of preparation for the change of command. On 28 August, CAPT Gerald J. O'Donnell relieved CAPT William J. Keating, Jr. as commanding officer of USS CHANCELLORSVILLE. RADM D. C. Blair, Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Group Five was the guest speaker. RADM Blair had relieved RADM Coady as CCDG-5 on 27 August.

By the end of September, CHANCELLORSVILLE was underway to test a new Tomahawk missile, CNO Project 251. The ship successfully launched two cruise missiles. The ship was also host to several VIP tours during September.

October brought with it a NORPAC voyage. The ship stopped first at Weapons Station Seal Beach, CA to offload most of the ship's ammunition in preparation for the upcoming shipyard period. CHANCELLORSVILLE then joined the COMPTUEX 94-2T battlegroup enroute San Francisco, CA. Fleet Week '93, San Francisco's annual salute to the Navy, was very enjoyable. Although the ship did not host daily public tours because it was moored outboard two other ships, many locals were given personal tours by hospitable crew members.

Once underway enroute Seattle WA, the ship' berth was shifted to Everett, WA, because there was no available pier space in Seattle. CNO Project 176 took priority during the transit to Everett. The project consisted of various tests to obtain accurate data on the ship's RAST system. Although the ship did not "enjoy" heavy weather as it had enroute Perth, valuable information was collected nonetheless.

Everett, WA welcomed CHANCELLORSVILLE with open arms. A small town making preparations to be the homeport for a Navy carrier, the city did a superb job of making the crew feel at home. In return, a dozen crew members cleaned and painted at the Rosehill Community Center in the neighboring community of Mukilteo and yet another dozen cleaned and painted at the Everett American Legion Office.

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Ninety enthusiastic members of the Everett Navy League rode the ship for the one day trip to Vancouver, B.C. They were treated to a Steel Beach Picnic and a beautiful view of the Washington and Canadian countryside. On 22 October a crew of sailors painted and repaired walls at the "Option Youth Society Restaurant," a restaurant organized to keep teens employed and off the streets. On 23 October almost 20 crew members visited the Vancouver Children's Hospital to pass out posters and smiles to sick children.

CHANCELLORSVILLE returned to homeport on 28 October. It was underway the following week to participate in a missile firing exercise on the Pacific Missile Test Range. To celebrate the ship's many accomplishments during the year, the Moral Welfare and Recreation Committee sponsored several parties. The ship's picnic, Christmas Party and Children's Christmas Party were enjoyed by all who participated.

The year ended with the ship entering a Docking Availability at the National Steel and Ship Building Company in San Diego. The shipyard period included a dry docking. Many improvements were made to the ship both inside and outside.

1993 was a good year for USS CHANCELLORSVILLE (CG 62). The command welcomed a new Commanding Officer. The ship traveled tens of thousands of miles, visited numerous countries, fired nine Tomahawk missiles in support of national interests, was a deployed unit in support of Operation Southern Watch and most importantly, accomplished all of these evolutions safely.