

Re '0 2/5/94 DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

JSS PHILADELPHIA (SSN 690) FPO AE 09592 - 2370

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From:

Commanding Officer, USS PHILADELPHIA (SSN 690)

To:

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COMMAND HISTORY

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(a) OPNAVINST 5750.12D

Encl:

(1) Welcome Aboard Brochure

(2) Ship's Photograph

(3) Holiday Menus

1. Per reference (a), the command history of the USS PHILADELPHIA (SSN 690) for calendar year 1993 is submitted.

A. COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

The primary missions of USS PHILADELPHIA are Anti-Submarine (ASW), Anti-Surface (ASUW), and Strike Warfare. USS PHILADELPHIA is equipped to carry MK 48 ASW/ASUW torpedoes, Harpoon Missiles, and all variants of the Tomahawk cruise missile.

Command Organization:

Commanding Officer - CDR Richard T. Luke Executive Officer - LCDR Thomas H. Barge II Command Master Chief - MMCS John M. Rice

Department Heads:

Engineer - LCDR
Navigator - LT
Weapons Officer - LT
Supply Officer - LT

The Immediate Superior in the Chain of Command (ISIC) is Commander Submarine Group 2, RADM David M. Goebel. The ship's homeport is Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, NH.

B. <u>CHRONOLOGICAL NARRATIVE</u>

1 **JAN**: Refueling Overhaul at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard

5 FEB: Awards ceremony for North Atlantic Deployment. RADM

Goebel, Commander, Submarine Group TWO, presents awards.

Hosted Portsmouth Area Submarine Birthday Balls 16-17 APR:

8 JUN: Completed Reactor Core Removal

6 AUG: Hosted Lobsterbake for visiting USNA Midshipmen and Local

Navy League

Installed New Reactor Core 18 AUG:

21 AUG: Newly appointed Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable John

Dalton visited the PHILADELPHIA.

16-24 NOV: Commenced Post-Refueling Test Program

17 DEC: Undocked the ship

20-31 DEC: Holiday Standdown

C. **NARRATIVE**

USS PHILADELPHIA began the year establishing the propulsion plant and ship conditions required for the shipyard to commence the extensive refurbishment and replacement of the ship's systems.

The first week of February was spent preparing for a major awards ceremony which would close the book on the ship's last deployment prior to overhaul, a three month North Atlantic Deployment. RADM D. M. Goebel, Commander, Submarine Group TWO presented a total of sixty-nine awards to the officers and crew of PHILADELPHIA.

In April, the ship hosted the Portsmouth area Enlisted and Officer Submarine Birthday Balls. These proved to be enjoyable and highly successful social events for the PHILADELPHIA and the Community.

The month of May was a busy month for PHILADELPHIA as the crew worked to make final preparations to remove the reactor core. Actual core removal was completed on 8 June.

During the month of August, PHILADELPHIA worked diligently towards installing the new reactor core. This major task was successfully completed on 18 August. The newly appointed Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable John Dalton visited the PHILADELPHIA and toured the ship in drydock.

In November, the Engineering Department entered shiftwork to complete Cold Operations Testing. This included filling the reactor plant, and was a major key event towards propulsion plant restoration.

On 17 December, USS PHILADELPHIA once again became waterborne as the ship left Drydock 2 for berth 13 at the shipyard.

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