



Very Special Thanks to everyone who have made this ceremony possible

Master of Ceremonies

LT Neil Mafnas

Invocation & Benediction

Monsignor John F. Macfarlane, Saint Elizabeth Catholic Church

Flag Ceremony Detail

CAPT LouAnn Rector
LCDR Gloria Schuler
LT Jennifer Cockrill

CDR Gettie Audain
LTJG Toni Hallman
ENS Emily Balingit Clark

Color Guard

Surgeon General's Honor Cadre

Boatswain

CDR Thomas Janisko

Ceremonial Bell Ringer

LCDR Carla Burch

Event Coordinator

CDR Cheryl Lynn Fajardo

Retirement Committee Members

CDR Eric Pierce
CDR Shirley Thompson
LCDR David Wright

Reading of "Old Glory"

CAPT Lynn Slepki

Reading of "The Watch"

ENS Emily Balingit Clark

Family Members

Mark Wines, Husband
LTJG Emily Balingit Clark, Daughter
Philip Wines, Son
Felipe and Matilde Balingit, Parents
Ofelia Balingit Casem, Aunt
Roger Wines, Father-in-Law



RETIREMENT CEREMONY

In honor of

CAPT

Ana Marie Balingit-Wines

19 November 2013

1730 HOURS

**BETHESDA NORTH MARRIOTT
HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER**

**5701 Marinelli Road
North Bethesda, MD**





Program of Events

Arrival of Official Party

Presentation of Colors

The National Anthem

Invocation

Presentations of Awards

Guest Speakers

Promotion

Reading of Retirement Orders

Old Glory

Honoree's Remarks

The Watch

Benediction

Piping Ashore

Departure of Official Party



Stand by to Pipe the Side

This order has been passed on naval ships from the 1500's through today. Spanish, French, English, Dutch...yes, all navies of the world use the boatswain, sideboys and call to bring aboard or send ashore all ship's company officers, visiting officers, dignitaries, and VIPs.

The side boys would haul on the ropes and raise or lower the boarding platform so officers would not have to climb the rat lines (which were hanging over the side and used by the enlisted crew) when going ashore or to get aboard. This honor was extended to visiting officers, dignitaries, and port officials.

It was not uncommon for the commanding officer of a ship to order up the jolly boat, a crew of eight strong backs, sideboys, and boatswain...to send an old shipmate to his shore retirement home... never to sail on naval ships again.

"All hands on deck" was passed, speeches were made about great victories, battles fought upon the open sea, raging storms weathered, and voyages to distant and strange lands with ports-of-call others only dreamed about.

Then, a fine sword a brace of pistols, a rifle or musket or maybe a sea chest of fine wood and bound in brass was presented to remind them of the crews and ships they had served with. The boatswain would stand tall the side boys, the retiree would request permission to go ashore step to the platform and the side boys would lower away. As the jolly boat pulled away, the gunner would fire a salute from the ship's main battery as the retiree departed to go ashore.

Today, our services have given most of the pomp and circumstance back to history, but we still heave to and stop all engines, lay about smartly, and drop anchor to honor one of our shipmates going ashore, to honor the years served, the guidance, the leadership, the friendship and expertise that his officer has given these over thirty years.

The Watch

According to sea service tradition, four bells signify the end of the watch.

For over 30 years, CAPT Balingit-Wines has stood the watch

While some of us were in our beds at night
This officer stood the watch

While some of us were at school or work
This officer stood the watch

Even before some of us were born into this world
This officer stood the watch

When the storm clouds of war were brewing
This officer stood the watch

Many times this officer would cast an eye ashore
To see her family standing there
Needing her guidance and help,
But she still stood the watch

This officer stood the watch for over 30 years,
So that all Americans could sleep safely, each and every night
Secure because this officer stood the watch

Today we are here to pay our respects as it is said for the final time,
"CAPT Ana Marie Balingit-Wines, you stand relieved of your watch,
Relieved by those you have trained, guided, and led.
Ma'am, you stand relieved of duty, we have the watch."

"Boatswain... Standby to pipe the side... CAPTAIN is going ashore."



CAPT Ana Marie Balingit-Wines,
Nurse Officer, U.S. Public Health Service

CAPT Balingit-Wines was born in the Philippines and came to the United States as a young child. She attended Catholic schools in New York and attended Fordham University where she met her husband, Mark. She has two children; Emily and Philip, and a stepdaughter, Olivia.

She graduated from the College of New Rochelle with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and received her Masters of Public Administration from Troy University. Her first job as a nurse was at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York. She was later commissioned as a 2Lt in the United States Air Force, and stationed at Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio Texas. Her preceding duty station was Pease AF Base in Portsmouth, NH, where she had the honor of providing medical escort to then Vice President George Bush and his family during their vacations in Kennebunkport, Maine.

CAPT Balingit-Wines transferred her commission to the US Public Health Service from the AF in 1987. Her first duty station was at the National Institute of Health where she worked with other PHS officers in the development and testing of anti-neoplastic drugs such as Interleukin-2. Her next duty station was in Anchorage, Alaska with the Indian Health Service—an assignment she would later comment on in a magazine as her most notable and profoundly satisfying nursing experience. She loved Alaska and the Alaska natives, because of their sincere gratefulness and appreciation of what nurses do. Her daughter Emily was born in Alaska. She is a 2012 graduate of the US Coast Guard Academy and coincidentally is an Ensign assigned on the USCG Cutter Munro stationed in Kodiak, Alaska.

CAPT Balingit-Wines was assigned to the Medical Affairs Branch, where she became responsible for the health care of more than 30,000 Public Health Service and NOAA officers, and their dependents. She was the PHS TRICARE representative and her name was well known as the officer who attempted and succeeded in gaining parity with the other uniformed services. A little known fact, she was responsible in changing the TRICARE regulation ensuring that all PHS and NOAA officers and their family members were given the same health care entitlement especially those stationed in remote areas. Another change in the regulation she worked tirelessly to accomplish was to decrease the amount of financial contribution the HHS would need to give to the Department of Defense towards the Medicare Accrual Fund for PHS retired and Medicare eligible officers. An event she rarely speaks about because of its personal nature is her deployment with the Commission Corps Readiness Force's to the World Trade Center. The CCRF team provided logistical and



One of her duties was to digitize the 680,000 plus medical records from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. As a result, her additional duty was to develop and deploy an integrated electronic medical records (EMR) system, to be used during disasters. In the fall of 2007, the medical record suite was deployed and was deemed a success. The following year, with the help of colleagues from DoD, the patient tracking module was added to the EMR suite. During the development of these modules, CAPT Balingit-Wines deployed and joined her NDMS colleagues in the field providing care to those affected by disasters using the system. Today, the Agency for Preparedness and Response has a deployable electronic medical record system s able to send real time information from the disaster area to the Secretary's Command Center.

She was later assigned to the Food and Drug Administration to help assist in determining the safety of medical devices. Her clinical knowledge proved to be invaluable when speaking to firms about their unsafe devices. Today, she is a nurse consultant for the Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program—leveraging her knowledge of countermeasures, nursing and health care administration in ensuring that injured countermeasure recipients are correctly and adequately compensated.

CAPT Balingit-Wines throughout her career looked after younger officers and counseled them on their need to progress through the ranks. She was a mentor who gave constructive advice which she would say came from both knowledge of the Commissioned Corps and difficult personal experiences. There are a number of people who will remember CAPT Balingit-Wines fondly for her sense of humor, her sort of calm demeanor in the face of adversity and her smile—but most of all, people will remember her for her willingness to always help another officer—something she hopes will be the code for all PHS officers.



**RADM Scott F. Giberson, Assistant Surgeon General and
Chief Pharmacy Officer, U.S. Public Health Service**



Rear Admiral (RADM) Scott F. Giberson is the Acting United States Deputy Surgeon General. He supports Acting Surgeon General RADM Boris Lushniak in communicating the best available scientific information to the public regarding ways to improve personal health and the health of the Nation.

RADM Scott Giberson was selected by 18th Surgeon General Regina Benjamin as the first Director, Division of Commissioned Corps Personnel and Readiness

(DCCPR) in August, 2011. He had operational leadership for a new Corps infrastructure that provides the management of all personnel and readiness systems for over 6,700 Commissioned Corps officers. This included responsibility and accountability for comprehensive force management for the USPHS Commissioned Corps.

Since March 16, 2010, RADM Giberson has served as Assistant Surgeon General and Chief Professional Officer (CPO), Pharmacy, for the United States Public Health Service (USPHS). As CPO, Pharmacy, he advises the Office of the Surgeon General on career development and management of more than 1150 PHS pharmacists. In addition, he assumed the role of Deputy Surgeon General July 17, 2013.

RADM Giberson began his Corps career in 1994, and has served in roles as a Clinical Pharmacist, Chief Pharmacist, Senior Public Health Advisor, Senior Medical Program Officer, Division Director, and Principal Consultant. In 2001, RADM Giberson responded to the Anthrax attacks in New York City and was later chosen by his peers as the National Coordinator for over 40 Nurse and Pharmacist Response Teams as he worked under the newly-formed Department of Homeland Security. In 2003, RADM Giberson was then detailed to the Department of Defense (DOD) for three years. He served on many international health missions for the U.S. Pacific Command involving more than 23 countries. His bilateral work with specific countries also included Thailand, India, Vietnam, Papua New Guinea, and Australia. He traveled extensively working with foreign militaries on HIV/AIDS and other initiatives. Following his work in the Pacific, he transitioned to the Indian Health Service (IHS) as the Director of the National HIV/AIDS Program.

RADM Giberson maintains dual licensure as a pharmacist and clinician – and has worked as a member of an IHS Family Practice Medical staff for most of his career. RADM Giberson has authored nationally published articles, spoken at venues domestically and internationally, and served as adjunct faculty at multiple universities.

RADM Giberson has received numerous awards across his career including a DOD Meritorious Service Medal. He was recently selected by the American Pharmacists Association as the 2013 Distinguished Federal Pharmacist of the Year and was also a recipient of the 2013 American Society of Health System Pharmacists Award of Excellence. RADM Giberson holds a Bachelors Degree in Pharmacy from Temple University, a Masters Degree in Public Health from the University of Massachusetts. Outdoor activities, physical fitness and healthy eating are all key components of RADM Giberson's daily life. Known to many officers for his early morning workouts, he also remains active through family fitness pursuits and his son's sports teams. He has competed in a number of athletic activities and more recently, endurance races such as mud runs. He encourages all Americans to become physically active. Both Acting Deputy Surgeon General Giberson and Acting Surgeon General Lushniak 'walk-the-walk' of community health, fitness and wellness.

Lore of the Shadowbox

According to some accounts of naval history and tradition, when a sailor retires and is departing the ship for the last time, it is considered bad luck for the sailor's shadow to touch land before he/she does. Thus, the sailor's shipmates would construct a sturdy box, handcrafted of the finest materials, in which to display mementos of the sailor's accomplishments—thereby symbolically creating a “shadow” of the sailor. The box itself contains the “shadow” until he/she is safely ashore, at which time the shadowbox is given to the sailor at a presentation ceremony.

Historically, when a sailor would join a ship's crew, they would join that ship for their entire career. During this sailor's voyages to ports of call around the world, they would collect many trinkets, souvenirs, and reminders of their travels. As space aboard ship was at a premium, these items tended to be small. When a sailor was piped ashore for the last time, shipmates saw to it that a special ceremonial box was constructed to hold all of the possessions a sailor had collected during those many voyages. The box and its contents simultaneously symbolize the memories and the sailor's career while aboard ship.

The flag in CAPT Balingit-Wines' shadowbox was flown over the US Capitol in honor of her retirement.



Being A Nurse Means...”

You will never be bored.
You will always be frustrated.
You will be surrounded by challenges.
So much to do and so little time.
You will carry immense responsibility.
And very little authority.
You will step into people's lives
And you will make a difference
Some will bless you.
Some will curse you
You will see people at their worst
And at their best.
You will never cease to be amazed
At people's capacity for
Love, courage, and endurance.
You will see life begin.... and end.
You will experience resounding triumph
And devastating failures.
You will cry a lot
You will laugh a lot
You will know what it is to be human
And to be humane....

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Public Health Service March

The Mission of our Service
Is known the world around,
In research and in treatment
No equal can be found.

In the silent war against disease
No truce is ever seen,
We serve on the land and the sea
For humanity,
The Public Health Service Team!



Old Glory



I am the Flag of the United States of America - My name is Old Glory! I fly atop the world's tallest buildings. I stand watch in America's halls of justice. I fly majestically over great institutions of learning. I stand guard with the greatest military power in the world. Look up and see me! I stand for Peace, Honor, Truth, and Justice - I stand for Freedom. I am confident, I am arrogant, I am proud!

When I am flown with my fellow banners, my head is a little higher, my colors a little truer. I bow to no one - I am recognized all over the world. I am Worshipped, I am Loved, and I am Feared!

I have fought in every battle of every war for more than two hundred years: Gettysburg, Shiloh, Appomattox, San Juan Hill, the trenches of France, the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome, Pearl Harbor, the beaches of Normandy, Guam, Okinawa, the jungles of the Philippines, Korea, Viet Nam, in the heart of the Persian Gulf, the deserts and mountains of Afghanistan, the streets of Baghdad and a score of other places long forgotten by all-- but those who were there with me. I was there.



I led my Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines, I followed them, and watched over them. They love me. I was on a small hill on Iwo Jima. I was dirty, battle worn, and tired, but my Soldiers cheered me, and I was PROUD! I was at ground zero in New York City and the Pentagon on September 11, as

cowardly fanatics attacked America. I was raised from the ashes of once proud buildings by brave firefighters. Heroes...who risked their lives to save others, showing all that America, though bloodied, will never be beaten. Those who would destroy me cannot win for I am the symbol of freedom, of one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

I have been soiled, burned, torn, and trampled in the streets of countries that I have helped set free. It does not hurt, for I am invincible. I have been soiled, burned, torn, and trampled on the streets of own country, but when it is by those whom I have served with in battle, it HURTS!

But I shall overcome - for I am strong. I have slipped the bonds of earth, and from my vantage point on the moon, I watch those who serve beneath my stars and stripes fight disease and injury. They protect, promote, and advance the health and safety of our great nation. I stand watch over the uncharted new frontiers of space.

I have been a silent witness to all of America's finest hours. But my finest hour comes when I am torn into strips to be used as bandage for my wounded comrades on the field of battle, -- when I fly at half-mast to honor my Soldiers, my Sailors, my Airmen, my Marines, and when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving mother - at the graveside of her fallen son or daughter.

I am proud - My name is Old Glory! Long may I wave, dear God. Long may I wave.

