# USCGC EAGLE VISIT TO THE NCR



#### **OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA, VA**

4-8 SEPTEMBER 2017



USCG Cutter EAGLE sails beneath the Harry Nice Bridge as it prepares for its first visit to the National Capital Region in more than 10 years. (Photo by: CDR Phil Crigler)



USCG Cutter Eagle passes under the Woodrow Wilson Bridge for the first time in more than 10 years. (Photo by: ENS Michael Civay)



Officer candidates and crew members aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Eagle stand by to heave messengers for mooring lines as they approach the pier in Alexandria, Virginia, for the city's celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Guadalcanal event on Labor Day, Sept. 4, 2017. The Eagle and crew hosted free tours for the public. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Bill Colclough)



The Coast Guard Cutter Eagle moors in Alexandria, Virginia, on Labor Day, Sept. 4, 2017, for the 75th Anniversary of the battle of Guadalcanal. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Andrew Kendrick)



Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Elaine Duke with USCG Ceremonial Honor Guard. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Royal Canadian Officer Rear Admiral Silliam Truelove returns the salute of the USCG Ceremonial Honor Guard. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



USCG Ceremonial Honor Guard and EAGLE Executive Officer LCDR Brooke Millard welcome Mrs. Fran DeNinno-Zukunft aboard. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Former and current MCPOCG greet each other during the 2017 Guadalcanal Remembrance. To the left MCPOCG (ret.) Vince Patton, to the right MCPOCG Steven Cantrell. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Admiral Charles Michel & Mrs. Claudia Michel join Admiral (ret.) Sally Bryce O'Hara in discussion with Deputy Commissioner Ronald Vitiello of U.S. Customs. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



MCPOCG Cantrell discusses experiences onboard with (Left to right) NOAA officer candidates Lyle Robbins and Hayley Betker and CG officer candidate Miles Durr. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Elaine Duke addresses guests at the 2017 Guadalcanal Remembrance. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Admiral Paul Zukunft addresses Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao and other guests during the 2017 Guadalcanal Remembrance. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Officer candidate Evan Ward stands by as the national ensign is lowered. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Patrick Kelley)



Members of the public are hosted by the crew of USCGC EAGLE in Alexandria, Virginia, Sept. 6, 2017. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Bill Colclough)



Members of the public wait in line to tour the Coast Guard Barque Eagle in Alexandria, Virginia, Sept. 6, 2017. USCGC EAGLE and crew arrived in Alexandria on Labor Day for the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Guadalcanal. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Bill Colclough)



USCGC EAGLE Departs Alexandria after successful mission. (Photo by: ENS Michael Civay)

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### **Media Coverage**

Good Morning Washington All aboard the U.S. Coast Guard's Eagle ship
<a href="http://wjla.com/features/good-morning-washington/all-aboard-the-us-coast-guards-eagle-ship">http://wjla.com/features/good-morning-washington/all-aboard-the-us-coast-guards-eagle-ship</a>

### LocalDVM.com-

• U.S. Coast Guard ship anchors in Northern Virginia http://www.localdvm.com/news/virginia/us-coast-guard-shipanchors-in-nova/804467585

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#### **Fun Facts**

- **TOURS:** Number of visitors to tour EAGLE: 6, 284 in 4 days
- **MEDIA:** Eagle also hosted numerous media engagement opportunities, highlighting the officer candidates' training experience underway.
- **75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** During the visit, the crew and guests recognized the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Guadalcanal with a reception hosted by the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard. There were 150 total guests including the Secretary of Transportation, Acting Secretary of Homeland Security. Special mention was made of the heroism and sacrifice of Signalman First Class Douglas Munro, the US Coast Guard's only Medal of Honor recipient.
- **NICE BRIDGE:** EAGLE stood under the Harry Nice bridge with roughly 48 inches clearance. This required the ship's crew to house both fore and main mast, which is an uncommon rig evolution.
- **WOODROW WILSON BRIDGE:** Through careful coordination with local officials, EAGLE's transits through the Woodrow Wilson Bridge occurred during low traffic periods with limited disruption to commuters crossing the bridge. Kudos to EAGLE for the early hour transits!