

Congratulations and many thanks to the Operations Department for their outstanding efforts--and successes--during the AOS '94 deployment. You all met the challenges as they arose, kept things running smoothly, and provided great service to our customers. From the MST's providing world-class science support, to the RMs providing state-of-the-art comms. The YNs, QMs, and HSs were able to balance an "average day's" work with all the unexpected tasking (like planning an unexpected circumnavigation of the continent after LTJg Arnold broke the propeller)--and do it all well. My thanks to you all.



**LCDR Steven G. Sawhill,  
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QM3 Peter Kanavas and QM3 Jennifer Hogge show LCDR Stephen Wheeler how to get to the North Pole.



Give 'em hell: LTJg Karen Arnold, LSO, runs the flight deck.



LCDR Steve Sawhill entertains Liz Osborne during the Arctic Circle crossing.

### Health Services Division

The POLAR SEA Sick Bay is run by the Medical Officer, CWO2 Harry J. Poland, who is a Certified Physician Assistant. CWO2 Poland is assigned temporary duty from the USCG Support Center Governors Island, NY, Health Services Division. The Medical Officer's primary responsibilities include (1) providing adequate standards of care in all routine, urgent, psychiatric, and emergency situations, (2) handling pre-deployment, deployment, and post-deployment medical and/or administrative problems to render all assigned personnel fit for sea duty, (3) overseeing the quality of care rendered by all other medical personnel assigned to the ship, (4) and training of all medical personnel. CWO2 Poland was also assigned to the Safety, Morale, and Wellness committees.

The Medical Officer is assisted by the Chief Corpsman, HSC Mark L. Stocks, who is assigned on a three-year billet to the USCGC POLARSEA. HSC Stocks' primary responsibilities are sick call (routine and emergency), overall administrative duties of Sick Bay, supply, water and food sanitation practices on ship, and is presently assigned Chief, Master-at-Arms.

Sick Bay was also complemented this deployment by HS2 Jeffrey W. Ongemach, who assisted in routine sick bay operations, but was primarily assigned to ship for dive operations.

- CWO2 Harry J. Poland