



# Land-Ho!

*5 Days on the Beach: Boston, Massachusetts*

Boston, POLAR SEA's first, last, and only port call during AOS 1994, was a welcome sight on Saturday, September 10th. Upon arriving, a brief ceremony was held in the hanger where Captain David Johns and Captain Philip Grandy of the Canadian Coast Guard—along with a representative from the Prime Minister's office—presented several awards to the crew. Among these was the Canadian Coast Guard's highest award. Immediately following the ceremony, an all-hands evolution set to off-load all the trash POLAR SEA had retained in the Arctic. Finally: liberty.

During the brief four days, the crew made the most of the time—there was plenty to see in Boston alone, but many ventured off to New York City, Washington, D.C., and countless other locations. On Wednesday, September 14th, POLAR SEA departed Boston and headed south.



LTJg Lawrence Goerss and HSC Mark Stocks give a hand with the trash off-load.



The trash off-load is an "all-hands" evolution, requiring the entire ship's company to hand-carry one and a half months of trash retained in the Arctic.