

CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS



"Ask the Chief" is one of the "by" words of the sailors' language. Many say it in jest but others say it with the confidence that they are getting the best and right answers.

As the backbone of the service he is the man who has weathered many storms, mental and physical, as well as the elements. He has learned from experience, from long hours of study, from others before him, and from common sense. It takes a special breed to make a chief. He has to be a father as head of his men. A magician

at some of the tasks he is called upon to perform, a mediator between the officers and enlisted men, and a mother to the weak.

So in the course of every day life you will see the chief at many a varied task and if you eavesdrop on two chiefs in conversation about a problem you can always hear one of them say "let's have a cup of coffee and think about it."

CHIEF POWER

The following figures represent, the total time in military service, rate, and time on sea duty of the Chief Petty Officers, that served on board the Southwind during arctic east 73.

CPO	TOTAL MILITARY	TOTAL SEA DUTY	TOTAL TIME IN RATE
MCTIGHE	13-10	8-9	1-7
KOCH	19-10	8-6	7-0
NORMAN	17-3	10-10	4-3
MARTIN	11-4	5-0	3-0
KRAMER	19-0	10-0	5-1
WEBER	17-0	13-0	2-7
JORGENSEN	16-6	9-0	7-6
BOYD	17-10	2-1	9-5
PONTON	13-6	5-10	3-6
CLIFTON	20-0	10-0	4-0
MIDGETT	20-0	10-0	4-0
PETERSEN	17-0	6-0	5-0
BOQUIREN	18-10	12-0	3-6
PINGATORE	18-6	6-0	3-6

The grand total; 254 years of military service, 122 years of sea duty, and 65 years of time as Chief Petty Officers.



Back Row (Right to Left): ETCS-B5 James A. Boyd, QMC Arnt E. Jorgensen, RMC Alvin A. Kramer, EMC-B5 Johnny R. Martin, ENCS Leland P. Koch, BMC Sylvester (n) Pingatore, ENCS Ronald A. Petersen, and SKCS Darrel H. Clifton.

Front Row (Right to Left): SSC Elwood B. Midgett, SSC Genaro J. Boquiren, YNC Douglas D. Ponton, ENC Bryan J. Norman, RDC Ronald J. Weber, and DCC Frederick G. Kingsland.