

BEAR'S TALE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2006

AT SEA



NOON POSITION

Latitude: 10° 42.5' S
Longitude: 80° 34.5' W
Avg. Speed: 11.4 KTS
Distance to Go: 1181.6 NM



WEATHER FORECAST

Over the next few days temperatures will steadily increase up into the high 70's. Wind and sea conditions will continue to come from the South West decreasing to a height of 6-8ft and a wind speed of 13kts. Expect skies to remain overcast to partly cloudy with a chance of blue sky for a brief while. So shooters have your sextant at the ready. And for all you surfers 3-5 foot surf off Costa Rica.

1/C Cadets Gorey & Gaites

ATTN: E-SQUAD #1 AND #2

There will be a pre-brief Monday at 1830 in Maury Classroom for Tuesday's drill. A de-brief will be on Tuesday at 1830 in Maury. All OPICs and 1/C are required to attend. Chief Mate

FROM THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

After five days and many man hours the sewage clog has been cleared. Pieces of rag and paper towels contributed to the clog.

REMINDER: Only human waste and toilet paper to be flushed down the toilet. Thank you.

THANK YOU, SANDY!

Cal, Texas, and Massachusetts cadets thank Sandy Handel for the fantastic Follow the Voyage pictures.

SINBAD GAMES RULES

The Sinbad Games rules are available in the same folder we posted the July pictures and Peru PowerPoint, that is: [\\humvee2\Peru Information](#), which can be reached by start – run and entering the info in the run box and clicking OK.

FROM THE CAPTAIN

Cabin residents are not permitted to stow **anything** within the overheads of their cabins. Use baggage lockers or other approved stowage areas for excess gear.

EMAIL WARNINGS

Please disregard the warnings about email accounts expiring in xx days. I am changing the expiration dates on everyone to sometime in September for all students, which should take care of the potential problem. Since your accounts were set up prior to Cruise 1, some are reaching the initial time-out period for your login. **Tom Morgan, IS Dept.**

TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT



Congratulations to Justin Vilott, Drue Kasper, Brian Deedler, Fallon Thorbin, and Kate Barrett for making the Finals! The tournament continues tonight at 2000 in the lower class mess.

Please show up early and check in with Jason de Jesus or Tommy Gorey. Grand prize is a set of poker chips! Courtesy of ASCMA.

FIND THE MONEY PLATE!!

There are 3 marked plates that are good for \$10 in Pirate's Cove. If you find one of the plates, please show it to Tommy Gorey or Jason de Jesus by the end of the BBQ. Keep a good lookout. Courtesy of ASCMA.

CREW'S EFFECTS DECLARATION

All crew members must fill out a Crew's Effects Declaration for Golfito, Costa Rica. Please stop by the Ship's Office prior to 1630, Wednesday, 8/9/06.

MARITIME CAREER PRESENTATION

Do you have questions regarding working out of a union hall, MSC or as an independent contractor? Would you like to know the pros and cons from a variety of perspectives? If you answered yes to any of these questions, it would be wise for you attend the Maritime Career Presentation on Tuesday, August 8 at 2000 in the Ericsson Classroom.

The presentation will feature a panel of instructors (who are also seasoned professionals). Each of these instructors are currently active within the maritime industry and will share with you their thoughts and experiences as it relates to what is going on currently in the maritime industry.

LOST AND FOUND

(Claim found items in the Ship's Office)

Found 3 keys on key ring on 7/31.

Lost Von Zipper black sunglasses. If found, please return to Sam Shragge, Rm. 115.

Lost small Lonely Planet handbook on "Latin American Spanish." Please return to Susan McLemore in the Pirate's Cove.

Found flashlight in Pirate's Cove.

DECK DIVISION I TRAINING BEGINS

MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2006.

1/C meet at 0800 in Ericsson.

Topic: Firefighting

1330 place to be announced

3/C meet at 0800 in Ericsson

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For Sunday, August 6, 2006

NOW SHOWING

1900	The Jerk	Ch. 20
1900	Four Brothers	Ch. 22
1900	Just Like Heaven	Ch. 24
2100	Twins (with Arnold!)	Ch. 20
2100	Brokeback Mountain	Ch. 22
2100	Band of Brothers	Ch. 24
	Part 1 "Currahee"	
	Part 2 "Day of Days"	
	Thanks to Mr. McGroarty	
	Bow Cam	Ch. 14
	ECDIS (Electronic Chart)	Ch. 16
	News	Ch. 18

Thanks also go to Ms. Harper and Mr. Webster for lending films, as well as to Mr. Morgan (our hero!) for fixing our DVD player.

Menu

For Monday, August 7

Breakfast	Lunch
Fresh Fruit, Juice, Coffee	Ham & Cheese Melt
Assorted Cereals, Milk	Seasoned Potatoes
Eggs to Order	<i>Grilled Cheese</i>
Waffles	Rice
Sausage	Vegetables
Pastries	Salad Bar/ <i>Vegetarian Soup</i>
	Assorted Desserts
Dinner	
Orange Glazed Roast Pork	
Rice Pilaf	
Creole Mac	
<i>Veggie Lasagna</i>	
Vegetables	
Salad Bar/ <i>Vegetarian Soup</i>	
Assorted Desserts	
<i>Vegetarian Items in Italics</i>	

ATTN CMA SENIORS PHYSICAL

There is a sign-up sheet posted outside the Sick Bay door for USCG physicals. Appointments are available on Monday only, require no physical activity, and only take 10 minutes. If you wear contacts or glasses, bring them with you.

SUDOKU PUZZLE

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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	9			2		6	3	
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1			8		9			6
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	8	4		1			7	
	7		5					
9			2		8	5		1

5/2

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

LEGENDS AND LORE

by Peter Tyson

<http://pbs.org/wgbh/nova/sharks/legends.html>

Part 2

Another treasure that supposedly still lies buried somewhere on the island is that of Benito "Bloody Sword" Bonito. Bonito terrorized the west coast of the Americas beginning about 1818, looting and burning Spanish galleons and taking his hoardings to Cocos Island. In his most infamous exploit, Bonito, learning that Spanish gold was transported by uniformed guard from the Mexican cordillera to Acapulco, simply captured the guard, put their uniforms on his own men, and loaded the treasure onto his ship – without firing a shot. His most infamous mistake was to let two Englishmen from a British ship he hijacked join his band of pirates. Years later, these two Brits were arrested by the authorities and sentenced to hang, but were released after leading their captors to Bonito's West Indian hideout, where this notoriously blood-thirsty pirate was finally cut down. The two Englishmen apparently never managed to return to Cocos, and the "captain's cut" of Bonito's cache sits there to this day. Its estimated modern value: \$300 million.

The most famous Cocos hoard of all is the "Great Treasure of Lima." In 1820, as the revolutionary José de San Martín advanced on Lima, the Spanish Viceroy realized he had better remove the stores of gold and silver under his command. Officials of the more than 50 Spanish churches in the city came to the same conclusion about their ecclesiastical riches, which included a solid-gold, gem-encrusted, life-size image of the Virgin Mary. Figuring that hiding this wealth anywhere near Lima would be foolish, the Viceroy entrusted it to a British sea captain named William Thompson, a known and respected trader in the region. The Viceroy's plan was to have Thompson sail around for several months, with the treasure stowed aboard his merchantman, the Mary Dear, until the political situation improved. Big mistake. A load of such value – at the time, Spanish officials deemed it worth between \$12 and \$60 million – proved too great a temptation to Thompson and his men. Once out of sight of land, they cut the throats of the Viceroy's appointed guard, tossed their bodies overboard, and made haste to Cocos, where they duly buried the treasure.

Thompson and his crew decided to split up until things simmered down, then reconnoiter to divvy up the spoils. But not long after leaving Cocos, the Mary Dear was picked up by a Spanish man-of-war. The crew was put on trial for piracy, convicted, and hung – all except for Thompson and his first mate, who agreed to lead their captors to the stolen goods if their lives were spared. Soon after they stepped on Cocos under an armed guard, however, Thompson and the mate suddenly hotfooted it into the jungle. Despite a protracted search, they were never found, and their frustrated captors finally left the island. According to some versions of the story, the pair were later picked up by a whaler and taken to Puntarenas, in Costa Rica, where the mate contracted yellow fever and died. For his part, William Thompson seems to have vanished from the pages of history shortly thereafter, and there is no indication that he ever returned to Cocos Island.

Conclusion Tomorrow