# OLD Reunion Hall Table for: LORSTA Spruce Cape

### On 02/23/07 CPT Shane Lucker said:

Oh crap, I forgot someone-- Kevin Ayers! Hey Kevin, thanks for everything and nicknaming me 'Luke' because everyone would say it wrong! I remember coming in to work everyday and you would yell, 'LUKE' really loud in your damn high pitched New York accent! I hope you are doing great man.

#### On 01/15/07 CPT Shane Lucker said:

Hey all--I arrived in spring of 1987 right out of boot. I picked Kodiak above stinking Hawaii (and I would do it again in a heartbeat). I came to the unit and stood before CW3 Terry Stockman in my dress uniform. Nervous, young, and away from home for the first time. He asked me if I liked to fish, of course I said, 'Hell yes Sir, that is one of the reasons I picked Kodiak.' He looked at me, smiled, and said, 'Well then young man, you have twenty minutes to get changed and your gear together. The early reds are just hitting the river!' We went fishing in the rain, didn't catch anything but a great buzz, and I just knew this was going to be the best damn unit ever. Thanks for making my first exposure to a USCG unit so great and so damn worth it Terry. I hope you're doing well old man. Are you still throwing M-80 firecrackers into the cigarette machines in the bars when they cut you off like you did that night when we went downtown bar hopping? Or have you slowed down at all? Haha. Ced Hughes--thanks for being so squared away that I knew when I met you that you were someone to emulate. Brett and Valerie Anderson--thanks for being the greatest hosts in the world to allow us to come over and drink it up and get crazy at your house. You always had a couch readily available for me to pass out on. You guys were the greatest ever. I hope you guys are still married!!! Jason Cockrell, thanks for being so sharp and on the money when it came to teaching me about electronics and my job. Thanks for the Toyota trucks with the big ass mud tires and the wench that saved my truck out of a few hard spots. Dan Ruble, thanks for putting up with my country music every night on the mid watch. Mike McGeary--thanks for being literally insane and coming to the unit so intoxicated at night and giving us something to laugh about! Mark Woodall-- thanks for showing me what the definition of 'Redneck' really was! And thanks playing beer checkers with me at the drop of a hat. William Bryan--thanks for keeping up with me and reminding me that I walk fast. I know you tried to keep up with catching as many fish as me, but hey, you know, no one else has been able to then or since! Paige Billingsley--thanks for all the times we sang 'Rock Me' by Great White at the tops of our lungs no matter where we were or what we were doing. Do you still have that nice Rolex? Doug Vanderlees--thanks for being on the money when it came to hanging out and looking for the women! Also, thanks for recommending Gig Harbor to me--it was great there, even though I went off to MK A-School not long after I got there. Craig Putula, thanks for making me laugh and laughing at my crazy jokes. Man did we have some fun. Dan Worsham--I don't know whatever happened to you, but thanks for leaving me your truck to fix and ship your way after you left! Thanks also for the craziness in your eyes and the fact that I was always nervous around you when you had a rifle in one hand and a beer in the other! Tim Horttor, thanks for always having us single guys over for the holidays and thanks to your wife for always making such great damn meals! Gary Weidman, thanks for all the four-wheel drive trips to the other side of Sultry Cove, camping, fishing, and drinking like there was no tomorrow. Of course I cannot forget Randy Leeper. Thanks Randy for showing me what being a 'Wild Alaskan Man' was all about. Showing me the best fishing secrets, the best way to chug a beer (we poked holes in the bottom of the cans after we tipped them to our mouths) and thanks for taking me under your wing when I first got to Kodiak. A lot of people have asked me over the years as to why I used to be so wild (I have slowed down a little now) or say some crazy one liners. I always tell them that it all started with you on the rock! As for me now, I am in Baghdad. I got out of the USCG Active Duty in November of 1994, stayed in the Reserves at Station Seattle for a few years, then went to college and joined Army ROTC. I commissioned in 2001 and am now a Captain. I have been deployed three times for Operation Iraqi Freedom. Once doing terminal operations, airfield operations, rail operations, marshalling and staging operations and convoy operations all over Iraq and Kuwait. I have

also been deplyed conducting movement control of convoys coming in and out of Iraq at the Iraqi/Kuwait border. This time, I am the maintenance advisor for the Iraqi National Police HQ on a military transition team. That's three years out of the last five I have been deployed, but who's counting right? I have follow on orders to Hawaii when I get back from this rotation next October. If any of you ever want to contact me, just email me at the email address I posted above. I'll always have it. I hope you are all doing well with wherever you are in your lives!

## On 10/09/04 Tom Boyd said:

Was there in 89-90 area. Worked with Jay N., Joey S. Ernie, and many more... Helped close it down, and move close to the base. I remember weekend watch, and Jim T. bringing in the 9 and we would take turns shooting at the mini range.

### On 02/08/04 Kevin said:

I was stationed at the MONSTA from 80-82 out of boot. Beer, Bing dog and midnight BBQ. The beach by the stp. Shipmates Frank Tower the 7th, Zero, the Jeffs, Andy Dano and Brian Glass, Chuck. Think of it often, am a plank owner. Any of you guys out there??

#### On 07/25/03 Mark Wooddall said:

I was at Spruce Cape from 87SEP-89APR. I was known as 'Country.' Shane, e-mail me if you see this! I mistakenly posted earlier on 'LORSTA' Kodiak; because I didn't see a 'LORMONSTA.' That was before I saw this 'Spruce Cape' option. Great times had by all at Spruce Cape. Especially beer checkers, then heading out to Beachcombers with the Naval Special Warfare types!

### On 06/15/03 DCC Gene Fearer (Ret.) said:

Correction to my last comments... I arrived at Spruce Cape on May 8, 1964, right after the good friday quake, I left in June the next year (65)... Damn these 'Senior Moments!!!Let's here from you guys..

### On 06/15/03 DCC Gene Fearer (Ret.) said:

I arrived at the Cape in May of 65 to help clean up after the big earthquake, Kodiak was really a mess... I left in June of 66.. I was a DC/2 at the time. LTJG Keith was CO .. I would love to here from anyone that was up there during this time...

### On 12/12/02 1LT Shane Lucker said:

Hello everyone! I am now at the 155th Transportation Company on Fort Eustis Virginia. My name and number is in the book. If anyone from the Monsta at Spruce Cape from 87-88 is still in that I was stationed with...or...in the Hampton Roads area, give me a ring or email me. Let's get together!

### **On** 06/05/02 **JIM KING** said:

I WAS STATIONED AT THE CAPE IN '53/'54. LIVED ON THE HILL, WITH MY WIFE, IN THE ONLY SQUARE BLDG THERE. GREAT TIME AND STAYED AN FN SO COULD FINISH MY TIME THERE. OUR HOUSE WAS THE PARTY PLACE AND WE DID PARTY.MANY FOND MEMORIES AND WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM ANYONE THAT WAS STATIONED THERE. ALSO SPENT TIME ON WAGL389 BITTERSWEET.MY E-MAIL-- jimk73@comcast.net

# On 04/30/01 Shane Lucker said:

I PCS to Ft. Eustis Va. starting Oct 1, 2001. I will be there for three years. If any of you former MONSTA shipmates are still in, or are in the Yorktown area...or going to a school there...PLEASE CONTACT ME so we can get together. JASON COCKRELL..I got your email and replied several times, and my mail was returned. If you are still in PLEASE CONTACT ME I would really like to talk to you. LT Shane Lucker, Transportation, U.S. Army.

### **On** 01/30/01 **Bob Smith** said:

First tour out of boot (6/67-2/68). Being from New Orleans, it was quite a shock (I was nicknamed 'Cage'). Learned to ice skate on the pond. Remember the power failures & running down the long hall from the rec room to be the first to throw the switch to generator power? Wish I had a nickle for every time I tripped! Did a lot of growing up at the Cape.

### On 11/18/00 Larry Gemoets said:

1976 ETC, OIC for six months. Loved it, but had to go back to COMSTA Xmtr site Buskin Lake, and let Roger Johnson have some fun too! Anyone else?

### On 04/21/00 Ronald Howington said:

I was stationed at Spruce Cape from July 57 to January 59. While there I made ET2. My first CO there was LTJG Clyde T. Lusk. Would like to hear from anyone who was there during this time period. Also, does anyone know if the station still exist? If it doesn't, when was it closed? You'll remember me as Howie...

### On 11/23/99 Shane Lucker said:

JASON COCKRELL...HEY..I just wanted you to know I got your email, and I tried to reply several times, but my mail was returned every time, so do you have a new email addy? PLEASE CONTACT ME, I really want to talk to ya! Take care.

### On 03/21/99 Shane Lucker said:

HEY! I was there from June of 87 until January of 89. I would really like to hear from all of you! Those were great times up there, and I am really wanting to return. I have just enlisted into the Army ROTC..and will become an Officer in two years. I'm currently still in the USCG Reserves at Station Seattle. Going to CWU and almost done with my degree in Law and Justice. I wish it was still out at Spruce Cape!..had a lot of great memories and shipmates! (and drank too much beer!) email me please! Shane.

### On 01/01/99 Kevin Dougherty said:

Was at the cape from Oct/Nov 73 till About Sept/Oct 75 then up to Cape Christian, go north young man go north! We were short in the EMT department. Within a month or so of my getting there, we were down to 2 thirds, myself, and Jamie ? I was fresh out of school, Jamie was one class ahead of me. Talk about baptism by fire! Sorry Jamie, if your out there, I forgot your last name, but you were from Maine, and you wife's name was Beckie. So port and starbord duty for quite a while, broken only by port and report. Finally got a couple more ET's that summer, so we were able to do some fishing. Anyone remember that Crabber running up on the rocks below the station?

### On 03/28/98 CAPT R.H. Wight (Ret) said:

I was an ET2 on the station '56-57. Wee Smith was CO. In 1979 I was able to relocate LORAN -C monitor station to Spruce Cape in what may have been its last active USCG use.

#### **On** 06/01/97 **Ed Parker** said:

Anyone seen or heard from ETC Richardson who was stationed at Spruce Cape from 1969 to 1972? If he has an e-mail address or any other address I would appreciate the info. Thanks.

### On 05/20/97 CWO Terry Stockman said:

I was CO from Sept. 1984 to June, 1987. Really enjoyed being there. My family liked to picnic on the beach. The station had a dog named BING. He was a great dog. I was there for the first OPERATION BRIM FROST in 1985. I was also the CO when the NAVY SEALS came for the first time.

### On 04/19/97 E.W.Ryan said:

I was an ET striker from Fall 1969 to Spring of 1971. I had earned my piloet's licence there before my driver's licence. I had learned many valuable leasons there. It was the best and near the worst of times. My shipmates use to call me Harvey. Anyone out there remember? Please make contact. Thank you ahead of time.

#### On 03/10/97 Ron Bartholomew said:

I would like to locate ET2 Thom Kianz. Thom transferred to Spruce Cape after a year @ LORSTA A Cape Sarichef. THis is where I knew him from. We were both from northern Wisconsin, and I often wonder what the heck happened to him. Any info would be appreciated.

### On 01/26/97 Dick Coerse said:

I served as an ET2 at Spruce Cape in 1962-63. Are any of the crew from that era still out there??

### On 01/16/97 Roger Johnson said:

I relieved Larry and had a wonderful time. Some of the best duty ever. Met a married my wife Clair at Kodiak. She used to work at civilian personnel and at CIV and Golden Anchor clubs.

# On 01/06/97 Larry Gemoets said:

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