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Happy holidays! Thank you so much for all the prayers and thoughts after my father's (Captain William DeBow) heart attack this fall. I am so pleased to say that he has gone one to make a full recovery and just last week assumed his new post as Commander of Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme CA. The link below will take you to a video with some of the highlights from the welcome ceremony. http://www.facebook.com/l/08850RDigJj M56pCGvD2-g -IA; www.navsea.navy.mil/nswc/porthueneme/default.aspx

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Biography United States Navy

Captain William W. DeBow Commander Port Hueneme Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center

Captain William W. DeBow continues a historic family tradition of service to Country established by his father, Charles H. DeBow Jr. A member of the first class of five Tuskegee Airmen (pilots), Lieutenant Colonel DeBow served in the U.S. Army Air Corps flying 52 combat missions during World War II.

Captain DeBow commanded the USS CURTS (FFG 38) from October 2005 to April 2007, leading the CURTS to the Battle "E", five Command Excellence awards, Green "H", Golden Anchor, TYCOM Safety award and a highly successful deployment. Following command, he served as Chief Staff Officer for Afloat Training Group Pacific and Surface Warfare

Enterprise program manager for the Individual and Unit Level Training Team from 2007 to 2008. Prior to reporting as Commander, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme Division, Captain DeBow filled a critical joint acquisition billet as Strategic Planning Military Adviser for surface and air warfare test and evaluation resources in the Office of the Secretary of Defense in support of Acquisition, Technology and Logistics.

Captain DeBow is a 2009 "Distinguished" Graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at National Defense University earning the Master of Science in National Resource Strategy and the Senior Acquisition Course certificate. From 1991 to 1993, Captain DeBow matriculated at the Naval Post-graduate School earning a Master of Science degree in Systems Technology (Joint Command, Control, and Communications) and has completed Defense Acquisition Workforce requirements for Systems Engineering Level III certification. Captain DeBow graduated from Butler University, located in Indianapolis, in 1984 with a Bachelor of Arts with "Honors". Captain DeBow entered the Navy in 1987 and earned his commission from Officer Candidate School, Newport, Rhode Island where he served as Color Company Commander.

After completing the Surface Warfare Division Officer course in Coronado, California in 1987, Captain DeBow served consecutively as communications and repair officer in USS TEXAS (CGN 39) from 1987 to 1991. After completing the Surface Warfare Department Head course in Newport, Rhode Island he served as operations officer in USS VANDEGRIFT (FFG 48) from 1994 to 1995, for COMMANDER, DESTROYER SQUADRON EIGHTEEN from 1995 to 1996 and in USS ANTIETAM (CG 54) from 1996 to 1998. He deployed in



support of Operation Enduring Freedom in 2001 to 2002 as the Executive Officer of USS PRINCETON (CG 59), an Aegis cruiser, which executed cruise missile strikes and Air Defense Commander duties for a four Carrier Strike Force in support of National Objectives.

Prior to reporting to USS PRINCETON, Captain DeBow served as Deputy Division Head and Operations Officer for the Information Assurance and Engineering Division at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center (SSC) San Diego from 1998 to 2000. From 2002 to 2005, Captain DeBow served as the Joint Training Officer on the staff of COMMANDER, THIRD Fleet, embarked in USS CORONADO (AGF 11) and ashore at Point Loma, California.

Providing community service, Captain DeBow served as Vice-Chairman of the Oceanside, California (population 160,000) Police and Fire Commission (1999-2000). Additionally, Captain DeBow served a three-year (2001-2003) appointment on the Advisory Panel of a Fortune 500 Insurance and Financial Services corporation.

Captain DeBow's personal decorations include the Joint Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with two gold stars), the Navy Commendation Medal (with three gold stars), Navy Achievement Medal (with gold star) and other personal and campaign awards.



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