

REAR ADMIRAL LEONARD N. ODEN UNITED STATES NAVY COMMANDER NAVAL TRAINING CENTER

Rear Admiral Leonard N. Oden, a native of Seekonk, Massachusetts, graduated from Tufts University in 1963. He was commissioned an Ensign and designated a naval flight officer in 1964.

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Early sea duty assignments included operational flying with VAW-12, VAW-120, VAW-122 ("plank owner"), VAW-123, and the staff of Commander Cruiser Destroyer Flottilla EIGHT. Early shore assignments included duties as Administrative Assistant to Commander Carrier Airborne Early Warning Wing TWELVE and as a Sea Control Analyst in the Systems Analysis Division (OP-96) on the OPNAV staff.
Following an assignment as Special Assistant to the President, Naval War College, he completed the Naval War College Command and Staff

course with highest distinction in 1975, receiving the Middendorf Award for Excellence in Advanced Research.

In December 1979 Rear Admiral Oden assumed command of the VAW-124 "Bear Aces" deploying on USS AMERICA (CV-66) and USS NIMITZ (CVN-68). Following his first ship's company tour aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67) as Air Operations Officer, he returned to Newport in 1983 and completed the Naval War College Post Command course. Serving as Operations Officer aboard the USS INDEPENDENCE (CV-62), he participated in both the Grenada and Lebanon crisis. In 1984 he assumed command of VAW-120, the east coast E-2C fleet replacement squadron.

In May 1985, Rear Admiral Oden returned to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations as Deputy Director, Program Resource Appraisal Division (OP-91B). He completed the Senior Officials in National Security Program at Harvard University's JFK School of Government in 1986. Selected for major command at sea, he served as the twelfth Commanding Officer of USS INCHON (LPH-12). In November 1988, Rear Admiral Oden reported major command at sea, he served as the twenth Commanding Officer of USS INVENTION (LPT-12). In Invovember 1988, near Admiral Oden reported to the United States Atlantic Command as Deputy Director, Program Planning and Assessment (J8). Since January 1990, he has served as the twenty-third Commanding Officer of USS CONSTELLATION (CV-64). Selected for Rear Admiral in January 1991, he assumed command of Naval Training Center Orlando on June 4, 1991.

Rear Admiral Oden's personal awards include the Legion Of Merit (2), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (3),

the Navy Commendation Medal (2), and the Navy Achievement Medal (2).

Rear Admiral Oden and his wife Sue, have two children, Jon, a 1991 graduate of the College of William and Mary, and Heather, a senior at Virginia Commonwealth University.



CAPTAIN KATHLEEN MAE BRUYERE, USN **COMMANDING OFFICER** RECRUIT TRAINING COMMAND

Captain Kathleen Mae Bruyere, born in Newport News, Virginia, is a 25 year veteran of the US Navy. She is one of the 36 female Unrestricted Line Officers on active duty in the grade of Captain. Captain Bruyere, an advocate for women - civilian and military, was one of six women who filed and won a court action in 1978 that resulted in Title 10 USC 6015 being declared unconstitutional. This section of the US Code had prohibited Navy women from serving aboard ships at sea.

She began her naval career in June 1966 upon graduation from Chestnut Hill College, Plantadelphia, Pennsylvania where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in

Political Science. Her first tour of duty was as a Communications Watch Officer at the Naval Communications Station, San Francisco, California ollowed by a tour as Administrative Officer at the Navy Space Systems Activity in Los Angeles, California. She was the first female officer ever to serve at this command.

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Later, Captain Bruyere served as an Officer Recruiter at Navy Recruiting District, Los Angeles, California and with the Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS) in Washington, DC in the Officer Distribution Division. After serving at BUPERS. Captain Bruyere became an Aider/Flag Secretary to the Commander, Training Command, US Pacific Fleet, San Diego, California. This assignment was another first for women.

After graduation from the College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island, Captain Bruyere completed a tour as Executive Officer, Navy Recruiting District, New York. This assignment was a first for female officers, also. Soon afterward, she was assigned to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, DC where she served as the first Community Manager for approximately 3,000 active duty line officers in the Navy.

From September 1983 until July 1985, Captain Bruyere was Commanding Officer of the Personnel Support Activity. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. As Commanding Officer of the Personnel Support Activity. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. New York and Naval Pennsylvania.

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From August 1985 until September 1986, Capitain Bruyere served as Executive Officer, Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps Unit, University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. In October 1986, Capitain Bruyere reported as Commanding Officer of Personnel Support Activity, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. This command included four

Philadelphia. In October 1990, Capitali Bryste 1990, Capitali Brys the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Manpower, Personner and Training) unit receasing the Navy Commendation Medal with two gold stars; the Meritorious Service Medal; the Navy Commendation Medal with two gold stars; the Meritorious Unit Commendation; the National Defense Medal; the Recruiting Sevice Ribbon; Who's Who of American Women; and selection by TIME magazine, January 1976, as one of the twelve "Women of the Year"

Captain Bruyere holds membership in the US Naval Institute (first woman elected in 110 years as a Director, Board of Control, 1983-86), the National Organization for Women, the National Women's Political Caucus, the National Association of Female Executives, the Women Officers' Professional Association (a founder and charter Washington, DC (1989-91).

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Captain Bruyere is the daughter of Lieutenant Colonel Joseph P. Donahue, United States Army Reserve (RET) and Lucille Alessandroni Donahue, both formerly of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She is married to Captain Thomas E. Bruyere, USN (RET).

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