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News Release

Eady Promoted To Coast Guard Chief Boatswains Mate



CHRISTIANSTED, ST. CROIX - U.S. Coast Guard St. Croix promotes First Class Boatswains Mate Ian Eady to Chief Boatswains Mate during ceremonies at Fort Christiansted December 4, 2012.

(Left to Right) Senior Chief Boatswains Mate Rob Gonzales Station San Juan, Chief Machinery Technician Jason Stonehouse Station San Juan, Chief Boatswains Mate Ian Eady, Mrs. Amy Eady, Lieutenant Roger Bogert Supervisor Regional Inspection Office St. Croix, Chief Boatswains Mate Alan Dooley Supervisor Boat Forces St. Croix.

CHRISTIANSTED, ST. CROIX. – First Class Boatswains Mate (BM1) Ian Eady was promoted to Chief Boatswains Mate (BMC) in ceremonies at Fort Christiansted December 4, 2012. Eady serves as Operations Petty Officer with the U.S. Coast Guard Boat Forces St. Croix.

Overlooking the harbor, members of the St. Croix Coast Guard stood in formation as Eady was sworn in by Senior Chief Boatswains Mate (BMCS) Rob Gonzales, Officer In Charge from Coast Guard Station San Juan and Chief Machinery Technician (MKO) Jason Stonehouse, Engineer Petty Officer. The tradition of pinning the collar insignia was assisted by Eady's wife, Amy Eady.

"This advancement to Chief is one of the most coveted of all advancements in the enlisted ranks within the Coast Guard," explained BMC Alan Dooley, Supervisor of Boat Forces St. Croix. "Chief Eady is very deserving of this advancement and will excel as a Chief."

As BMC, Eady will be the Executive Petty Officer assigned to USCG Cutter Kanawha stationed out of Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Currently, BMC Eady is the Operations Petty Officer for the St. Croix Boat Forces. His duties include Tactical Coxswain, Boarding Office and Training Officer.

Promoted to BM1 in 2006 BMC Eady was appointed 1st Lieutenant of Coast Guard Station Morro Bay, California where he was responsible for deck maintenance, Heavy Weather Coxswain and Boarding Officer.

BMC Eady is a native of St. Joseph, Michigan. He is married to the Amy Barnabo of Romeo, Michigan. BMC and Mrs. Eady have one daughter, Alivia.

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