**Lynn A. Mott**

Lynn Mott is ready for the next opportunity to learn and pass on what she has learned.

She was raised in a small farming town, Watsonville, California. Lynn grew up with her first jobs working in the berry fields at 12 years old and earned a great respect for the local farm workers.

Being raised in the US Army environment and spending many hours on Fort Ord Army base chose not to join the military. At that time women were mostly secretaries or nurses and neither one of those interested her.

Lynn married an Air Force man and went to Homestead Air Force Base for 2 years. After raising 3 children, 2 boys and 1 girl, as a stay at home mom, she started her career in education by volunteering in her children’s classrooms.

When her youngest was in middle school she started her education for Special Educations Support Specialist. She started taking continuing education classes at Hartnell College and became a Special Education Support Specialist for the Pajaro Valley School District. As a SESS she worked 8 years in the middle schools, working with students that were in gangs and mostly non-English speaking. She worked with them teaching survival skills and getting some of the basic education and trust.

A position at the high school level working with mainstreamed students in regular education classes instead of a special education class and started her next adventure. Her 10 years at the Aptos High School she worked in the Arts, working with students in Wood Shop and Photography as well as Marine Biology and Physical Science. During her time in science she helped start a program where they take 45 students to Catalina Island to the Catalina Island Marine Institute. She chaperoned for 10 years and 6 of these trips from her new home in Florida.

While working for the school system she wanted to have something else to do since she got off work at 1400 so she went back to school and became a Registered Dental Assistant. She worked as a dental assistant after school for 8 years in California then full time here in Florida until she retired.

After retiring from Dental Assisting she was the Executive Secretary for the local Navy League office until she retired from there 2 months ago.

She joined the Coast Guard Auxiliary August 2010. She has served as FSO-FN, FSO-MA, SO-MA, SO-MT, ADSO-MS-E, and Vice Flotilla Commander.

Lynn became Instructor certified February 2011 and was ready to teach again. After becoming IT in the Auxiliary, she helped teach the Sailing Skills and Seamanship program at 2 of the local yacht clubs in Pensacola. She has taught several chapters of the ABS program and presented the Paddle Sports America class several time. She has given presentations on person overboard to the local woman sailing teams as well as boating safety to the Pensacola Singles Sailing Club. As the MT officer she has presented the 1 hour TCT and the VE Workshop.

The Coast Guard asked her to help them by working with 125 ten year olds, talking about the Coast Guard and answering questions about them, and has given a presentation on Boating Safety for a local bridge repair company on their safety day.

The Boy Scouts asked for her assistance by presenting six, one-hour training sessions on kayak safety to the scout leaders in Mobile, AL.

Because of her diverse experiences and joy of teaching, Lynn believes she would be an asset to the AUXLAMS program and teaching staff. Being retired, she can be available to travel on short notices.