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Dear Wayne;

Just a short note to a former "COASTIE"

Nice to see the old R390's are still around, just got rid of my pride and joy 390 due to the XYL (wife) who didn't appreciate the 78 pound beauty, with 23 tubes, and a nightmare to re-align. Still have the manual though... If you need one let me know, it is a xerox copy....

The CG now has a 110ft cutter named "Sitkinak" it's one of the "Island Class" cutters....

Sounds like you are from the old Loran "A" days, now a part of history.....

If you collect CG hats, we do have them here, it's the only thing in our store... besides soda...

Sorry the card is so late, but we just pile em up and type them up on a quiet mid watch (remember?), and tonite is one.....

We get cards/letters from old "Coasties" all over the place that still show interest, and request QSL cards.... Have learned a lot of CG history from them.... Have talked via Ham radio to a lot of old "Coasties" also, some in their 80's, and have a hard time passing 73's to them... Maybe you will join the ranks of Ham Radio, and join us... Have been a ham since 72', there are some CG rag chewing nets on the ham bands, where we get together and keep in touch with old friends etc....

Be sure to polish up your 390', I know I will miss mine....

73's

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Confirming our transmission on 6518.8 KHZ at 0352 z, 23APR90.

Xmtr: Collins HF-80 AN/URT-41).

Location: 25-37.24N 80-23.22W.

Antenna: Omni-directional/Long wire/Conical Monopole/
Inverted cone/Wire array/70' whip.

Remarks: This confirms your reception report as stated
above. It's nice to see that the old/best CW receiver,
the R390 is still around. Few Radiomen today know what a
'390 is, but I do... 17 years service today.. 10/23/90

73's

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