

WILLIAMS TO PILOT CUTTER INTO HARBOR

JONESPORT — Cmdr. John E. Williams is expected to pilot the 311-foot U.S. Coast Guard cutter Unimak into Jonesport harbor at about 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 3.

Williams graduated from the University of Maine at Orono with a bachelor's degree in 1963. In January 1966 he graduated from Officer Candidate School and was assigned to the cutter Acushnet as the first lieutenant until August 1966. He then served a tour in Vietnam on the cutter Point Gammon as the executive officer. Later, he became operations officer on the cutter Cowslip.

From 1969 until 1978, Williams was operations officer at the Reserve Group, Rockland; operations officer on the cutter Hamilton; commanding officer of the Ship Training Detachment No. 4; and regimental officer at the Cape May Training Center, Cape May, N.J.

Returning to sea, Williams was the executive officer on the cutter Active. From February to June 1980 he attended the Armed Forces Staff College. He was the chief of the intelligence and law enforcement branch of the Third Coast Guard District, Governors Island, N.Y.

During his most recent tour, Williams received a master's in criminal justice from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He assumed command of the Unimak in August 1983.

He is married to the former Shiela R. Bubar and resides in Addison.

The Unimak confiscated \$71 million in drug seizures in 1980. The amount is the highest in the Coast Guard.

The ship draws 12 feet, 4 inches of water, is staffed by 12 officers and 115 enlisted men. Four Fairbanks Morse 10-cylinder, two-cycle opposed diesel engines provide it with a maximum speed of 18.5 knots. The Unimak's twin drive shafts convey 1,600 horsepower to a pair of three-bladed propellers measuring 8 feet, 5 inches in diameter.

The ship is armed with a single 5-inch, 38-caliber (125 millimeter) cannon; two '40 mm machine



Cmdr. John Williams guns/grenade launcher; and four .50-caliber machine guns.

It also carries two 25-foot motor surf boats that have a speed of 13 knots.

