

D-7 Connection



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The Pledge

The pledge you are about to take is your commitment to support the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, an organization dedicated to the promotion of boating safety and providing assistance to the United States Coast Guard in the fulfillment of its civil functions. You accept this membership as a volunteer, and as a

member you are you are charged with certain responsibilities and obligations. These include your willingness to support the Coast Guard Auxiliary and its purposes, to faithfully execute your duties and to participate in its authorized programs to the best of your ability and to the extent that time and circumstances permit.

As an Auxiliarist, you enjoy certain honors and privileges, among them, wearing the Auxiliary uniform and flying the Auxiliary Ensign. Wear the uniform neatly and correctly and fly the Blue Ensign proudly. Remember that your conduct reflects directly upon the image of both the Coast Guard and the Auxiliary.

The satisfaction you derive from your Auxiliary membership will be in proportion to your level of participation in the organization's activities. The success of the Coast Guard Auxiliary will depend upon the extent of your participation and upon the quality of the Auxiliary leaders that you, the member, select.

If you feel that you can be an active and productive member of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, please raise your right hand and repeat after me:

"I, (your name), solemnly and sincerely pledge myself to support the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and its purposes, to faithfully execute my duties and to abide by the governing policies established by the Commandant of the United States Coast Guard."



USCG Auxiliary District 7 *The Bridge*



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The greatest resource for recruiting in any organization is the individual members. We all have friends, neighbors and business associates that would benefit greatly from membership in the Auxiliary; and we would benefit greatly from their contributions as well. The Coast Guard Auxiliary has much to offer on almost any level to a wide variety of people whose participation will not only help them to enjoy on the water activities but also impact their fellow citizens. Members whom I trained and took classes with when I first joined the Auxiliary are still close friends today, even though some have moved on to other locations or interests.

When my first flotilla commander asked what I wanted to do in the Auxiliary, I told him that I wanted to become an AUXOP. He looked at me strangely; he wasn't an AUXOP, and our flotilla hadn't had one in a long time. He was curious that I even knew the word. I remembered that my BS&S instructors in Massachusetts had raved about the various boating courses that the Auxiliary offered it's members. I wanted to learn as much about boating as I could, and AUXOP courses seemed like a good way to start. When I look back, my goal was somewhat selfish. I wasn't out to help anyone other than me, although, indirectly, I wouldn't be as much of a hazard to others on the water as I learned. I did become an AUXOP along with a few friends that joined in the same time frame. We actually started a mini-trend back then. The more involved we got with one another, the more interested we all got in the organization itself. That was close to twenty years ago. The Auxiliary has become a very special experience for me. I have given the Auxiliary a lot, and it has given me a lot in return. People join for many reasons: some selfish like mine and others because they want to volunteer their time in something that seems interesting. It is our job, as members, to let others know the opportunities for self fulfillment and camaraderie that exist within our group.

We will be posting the D-7 Connection on the D7 website and sending the entire district membership the link so that you can download it. Please tell us your stories: Why did you join? What are you giving? What are you getting in return? I want to thank Angela Pomaro ADSO-PS, the editor of D-7 Connection and Rhonda Hebert DSO-PS for sharing this great spot to meet with the rest of us.



Georgia

South Carolina

Florida

The District 7 PS Team



Charlie McCarty -12



Ted Phillips -10



Matt Cooper -02



Bob Lehman -14



Bob Richmond -04



Cecil Spencer -15



Gil Thomas -07



Mel Schumacher -05



Greg Gamache - 11



Arnold Greenhouse -03



Tom Johnson -08



Max Le Fevre -09



Joel Aberbach -06



Jim Maloney -13

Puerto Rico



Rafael Martinez -01

Virgin Islands



Bob Marcy -16



D-7 AOR



Division 01 The island of Puerto Rico is located about 900 NM South-East of Florida. It consists of 9 flotillas located on the North, South, East and West Coasts of the Island. FSO-PS Officers are: 12 Vacant (Luis Rodriguez, FC, doing the job), 13 Angel L. Vega, 15 Pedro Sanchez, 16 Samuel Ortiz, 17 Carlos E. Carlsson, 18 Andres Acosta, 1-10 Windy Ortega, 1-12 Alma Sola. **(SO-PS Rafael Martinez)**



Division 02 is comprised of “inland flotillas” with units on most of the major lakes in Georgia and SC. We are comprised of the following flotillas: 21 Augusta, 22 Lake Altoona, 25 Lake Hartwell, 28 Central Georgia, 29 Lake Lanier, Northeast Georgia (Consolidation of 24 and 26). FSO-PS Officers in Division 2 are: 21 (not assigned), 22 Keith Nelson, 25 David Haus, 28 Randy Wiggins and 29 Vince (Tex) Boyer. We have over 200 members and have a pretty active membership involved in all the major program areas. **(SO-PS Matt Cooper)**

Division 03 Area of Responsibility includes Hollywood North to Boca Raton and eastward from the ocean to the Everglades. Division 3 supports Station Ft. Lauderdale with radio watch standing, Auxiliary cooks, medical support and an active patrol schedule. FSO-PS Staff Officers are: 31 Barbara Dombrowski, 32 Colin Taylor, 34 Arnold Greenhouse, 36 Marc Brody, 37 Jane Mueller and 38 Vincent Barth. **(SO-PS Arnold Greenhouse)**

Division 04 consists of 8 Flotillas: 42 Palm Bay, 46 Cocoa, 49 Titusville, 48 New Smyrna, 44 Daytona Beach, 4-11 Orlando area and 43 Tavares. Flotillas 42, 46, 49, 48 and 44 patrol areas that are located in the Intracoastal Waterway; Flotilla 4-11 is responsible for the lakes and waterways around the Orlando/Kissimmee Chain of Lakes. Flotilla 45’s area is the St Johns River from Sanford north to Lake George. Flotilla 43’s area is the Chain of Lakes around Tavares consisting of 4 lakes. All Flotillas support the Coast Guard and Kennedy Space center during Shuttle and Rocket launches by way of establishing picket lines to prevent recreational boaters from entering into danger zones. Two Coast Guard Stations support Division 4, Port Canaveral Coast Guard Station and Coast Guard Station Ponce de Leon Inlet at New Smyrna. FSO-PS Staff Officers are: 42 Jules Moquin, 43 Lorraine Simpson, 44 Office Vacant, 45 John Bennett, 46 Ann Bloom, 48 Buford Brock, 49 Bob Richmond, 4-11 Sharon Breece. **(SO-PS Bob Richmond)**



Division 05 is made up of 7 flotillas which serve the Treasure and Gold Coasts of southern Florida. The Division's Area of Responsibility extends from Delray and Boynton Beach in the south to Vero Beach in the north. There is also a flotilla in Lake Okeechobee. Division 5 has close to 400 members who donate thousands of hours in support of Coast Guard missions. We, in Division 5, work directly with the men and women of Coast Guard Station Lake Worth Inlet and Coast Guard Station Fort Pierce. The Division has very active Surface and Air programs. Ongoing patrols are conducted both by boat and plane. FSO-PS Staff Officers are: 51 not named; 52 Laura Bruce; 54 Stu Landau; 56 Fred Combs; 58 Meg Gaunce; 59 Diane Riggan. **(SO-PS Mel Schumacher)**



Division 06 is located in a very unique geographic area, not only is our Station (Miami Beach) co-located on the same small island as Sector Miami, but, Miami is also home of the 7th District Command and Air Station Miami. Flotilla Staff Officer: 63 Charles Levy & speaking English for him, is Felix Garcia; 65 Frank Sullivan; 67 Diane Haworth; 69 Larry Lehrman; 6-11 Tom Janata.

(SO-PS Joel Aberbach)



Division 07 is located in the Tampa Bay area of Florida. Our flotillas support U.S. Coast Guard Sector St. Petersburg and the Clearwater Air Station providing assistance in non-law enforcement programs such as boating education, recreational vessel safety checks, safety patrols, search and rescue, marine environmental protection, and Homeland Security. Flotilla Staff Officers are: 72 Elaine Smith,

73 Larry Gellinger, 74 Gilbert Thomas, 75 Guy Mandigo, 78 Valerie Fernandes, 79 Zachary Lessin, 7-16 Kevin Yeaton.

(SO-PS Gil Thomas)



Division 08 consists of 8 Flotillas located on Florida's West Coast. Area of operation extends from the main ship channel in Tampa Bay south to Boca Grande. In addition, the Flotillas from Bradenton and Palmetto perform Maritime Observation Missions at the Skyway Bridge and into Port Manatee. Coast Guard Station Cortez in Bradenton is the Division's main POC with the gold side and many Auxiliarists provide volunteer services as watch standers, trainers and mess cooks to the Station. Flotilla Personnel

Officers are: 81 Manuel J. Lamela, 82 Hristos Moshonas, 83 Paulette Parent, 84 Allegría Bouquet, 85 Thomas J. Johnson, 86 Paul Corcoran, 87 William Davis, 89 Holly Roth. **(SO-PS Tom Johnson)**



Division 09 has 9 Flotillas from as far south as Marco Island all the way up north to North Port including Cape Carol and Charlotte Harbor. Flotilla 91 meets regularly at the Fort Myers Beach Coast Guard Station. We have a good rapport with the Fort Myers Beach CG Station and they been very supportive to the Auxiliary. Several Auxiliarists in our Division support the Station with radio

watch-standing and patrol duties with the Coasties. Flotilla Personnel Officers are: 91 Ft. Myers Beach, William Burch; 92 North Port, Bernard O'Grady; 93 South Naples, Michael Hettinger; 94 Upper Caloosahatchee, Donna Donovan; 95 Marco Island, Michael Harris; 96 North Naples, Wiggins Pass, Maxim LeFevre; 97 Charlotte Harbor, John Sneddon; 9-10 Fort Myers, John Durkin. **(SO-PS Max Le Fevre)**

Division 10 is located along the very southern South Carolina coast and the entire Georgia coast. We have 4 Flotillas in our Division. They are 10-1 in Beaufort, SC; 10-2 in Savannah, GA; 10-10 in Brunswick, GA and 10-11 in Hilton Head, SC. We all operate under Sector Charleston, SC, including the local USCG units. Our Flotilla Staff Officers for Personnel Services are: 10-1 Don Becker, 10-2 Ted Phillips, 10-10 Linda Clavin, 10-11 Karen Wilson. There are boat stations at both Brunswick, GA, and at Tybee Island (Savannah), GA, co-located at Tybee is ANT Savannah. There is also a USCG Air Station in Savannah located on Hunter Army Air Field. **(SO-PS Ted Phillips)**

Division 11 is located along the Gulf of Mexico on the West Coast of Florida and is comprised of : Flotillas 11-1 Clearwater, 11-10 Dunedin, 11-9 Tarpon Springs, 11-6 New Port Richey and 11-7 in Hudson. The Division is very tight knit with all of the Flotillas interacting in public education, member training, vessel examinations, surface operations, and public affairs. Our CG Station is Sand Key which hosts our Division-wide Operational Excellence weekends and assist in our ISAR training. Our Division is relatively small with just under 300 members, but what it lacks in size is made up for in dedication and a total team atmosphere and effort. Our Flotilla Staff Officers for Personnel Services are Greg Gamache 11-1, Marie Garrison 11-10, Kevin McConn 11-9, Rich Cove 11-6, and William Pfaff 11-7. **(SO-PS Greg Gamache)**



Division 12 Here in Division 12, we are coming off a year of exciting new ventures that have resulted in significant progress in membership. We continue to foster growth in our newest Flotilla (12-12) at Edisto Island, S.C. that was established less than 2 years ago with virtually no prior Auxiliary experience to draw on. Neighboring Charleston area flotillas have volunteered formal training and mentoring that is paying off with substantial PE and OP growth. With new detachments established on Lake Marion (12-3) and another precedent-setting one at the S. C. Military University (12-8), The Citadel, we're expecting even more growth this year. Our PS team this year includes wily veterans like Jack Stacey, Grand Strand 12-2 in N. Myrtle Beach; Russ Jernigan, Lake Murray 12-3 and Jack Connelly, East Cooper 12-6, as well as energetic new faces like Alan Miles, Charleston 12-8; Chuck Woods, Georgetown 12-10 and Be Moore who is both FC and FSO-PS at Edisto 12-12. **(SO-PS Charlie McCarty)**



Division 13 is composed of the 5 Flotillas in the Florida Keys. Flotilla 13-01 (Key West) covers the Southern portion of Station Key AOR; 13-02 (Marathon) covers the same AOR as Station Marathon; 13-03 (Big Pine Key) generally covers the area around Big Pine Key and is in the Northern section of Station Key West's AOR; 13-04 (Ocean Reef) covers the Northern part of Station Islamorada's AOR; 13-08 (Upper Keys) is the fifth Flotilla in Division 13 and has the Southern section of Station Islamorada's AOR. FSO-PS 13-01 Elsie Metcalf; 13-04 Keith Pugh; and 13-08 Steven Heide. **(SO-PS Jim Maloney)**

Division 14 Our AOR extends from Fernandina to Palm Coast and from Jacksonville to Palatka. In addition to the Atlantic seaboard and the Intracoastal Waterway, our Division is also responsible for about 60 miles of the lower St. Johns River, through Jacksonville, a very busy and important seaport. Our FSO-PS crew is Sam Boyd 14-1, Jane Coy 14-2, Ewa Benevides 14-3, Don Mooers 14-4, Bob Lehman 14-7, Charles Smith 14-8 and Cecile Langston 14-9. **(SO-PS Bob Lehman)**

Division 15 is a large geographic area of Florida extending from the Pasco Hernando county border to the Florida Georgia state line and essentially the area west of highway I-75 and includes all or parts of the 15 counties. The coastal area extends northward from Arippeka to the Fenholloway River. The cities of Tallahassee, west of the coastal AOR, Gainesville and Ocala east of I-75 are also part of the Division AOR. Coast Guard Station Yankeetown is our order issuing authority. Our most southern Flotilla covers parts or both Station Sand Key and Yankeetown AOR. The Division consists of 7 Flotillas, 6 of which have Coastal responsibility and one is totally inland. Two of the six with Coastal responsibilities also have significant inland responsibility. The names of our FSO-PS are: Andy Render, Dolores Brand, Louis DeNunzio, Michael Dever, Raymond Pullen, Barbara Roberts, and William Stolz. Division 15 is strong in safe boating education, marine safety and in surface and air operations. **(SO-PS Cecil Spencer)**

Division 16 consists of 2 flotillas: Flotilla 01 on St. Croix and Flotilla 02 on St. Thomas. These Flotillas are separated by about 45 nautical miles with St. Croix approximately due south of St. Thomas, which entails flying or sailing for division meetings. We are unique in that we are surrounded by the Caribbean Sea and boating safety is an integral part of life here. We have a Coast Guard RIO Station on St. Croix and another Coast Guard contingent is located on St. Thomas. **(SO-PS Bob Marcy)**



The Littlest Recruit



Submitted by Gil Thomas, SO-PS –07

On January 31, 2008, I received an email from the National Website from a Miss Grace Marchant inquiring about membership in the USCG Auxiliary. When I telephoned Grace, her mother answered and I asked to speak with Grace. When Grace answered the phone, she proceeded to tell me that she had completed the US Power Squadron Course, the Florida Boating Education Course, attended the Admiral Farragut Academy and is a Quarter Master 2nd Class (Experience Sailor) – plus, she owns her own boat. Grace told me she plans to attend the Coast Guard or Naval Academy and wanted to join the Coast Guard Auxiliary

As I sat listening to her, I was impressed with her certifications and thought to myself “I would like to enroll her in the Auxiliary,” but Grace’s voice sounded very young. I was hoping that she was at least 17 year of age. I finally asked her how old she was and she replied “I am eight years old” – my heart sank – so I asked if I could speak to her father. Mr. Bradley Marchant came to the phone and I told him that Grace was too young to join the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Mr. Marchant started talking about Grace’s accomplishments

and her future plans. After talking some time with Mr. Marchant, I asked him if he would like to join the Coast Guard Auxiliary. I explained that the Coast Guard Auxiliary offers training to it’s members at no cost and that this training would also increase his boating skills. He implied that he was very interested in joining.

I contacted Valerie Fernandes, FC at Flotilla 78, and told her about Grace and that her dad wanted to join the Coast Guard Auxiliary.



On April 16, 2008, Mr. Marchant was sworn in and Grace was made an honorary member of Flotilla 78.



*Will you Still Need Me ... When I'm 95?**



Mary Skidmore



Meet Mary Skidmore, Hospitality Chair, for Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 11-6, New Port Richey, Fla. Mary was recently presented her 40 year certificate by the Director of Auxiliary, CDR David Allen.



She's definitely a pioneer. Mary joined the New Port Richey Flotilla in 1968, at a time when there were very few women in the Auxiliary.

How Mary got to the Auxiliary is an interesting story given the fact that her starting job had nothing to do with the Coast Guard. It was the railroad and her first job was as a "Wheel". She had joined the Long Island Railroad (LIRR) during World War II. Conductors at that time were always men – and "Conductor" was a title reserved for men. The Railroad had to come up with a new title and so Mary became a "Wheel". Same job; different title. This is where she met and married "Skid" and brought up seven children – as she calls them, "his, mine and ours".

In 1954 they started planning for Skid's retirement from the LIRR which would happen in a few years. While looking around for what they would do, Mary discovered a wonderful piece of property in Moriches, Long Island, right on Great South Bay. There was a building on the property that Mary had moved further inland since it was too close to the water. How did it get on the property in the first place? It was a Coast Guard building from Fire Island that floated to the mainland during a storm! This was Mary's first encounter with the Coast Guard. Given its location on the water, Mary, with some help from her Dad, purchased thirty boats, painted them orange and started Skidmore's Fishing Station. Right from the start she had more business than she could handle. During the fuel crisis, she used to tow the customers out with her power boat. To this day, Mary periodically bumps into people who recognize "Capt" Mary and relate to her what fun they had at Skidmore's Fish Station. The men especially remember that she hired "girls" in bikinis to clean the boats!

Submitted by Karen L. Miller, DCP, Division 11

In the early sixties, Mary became interested in the Coast Guard Auxiliary on Long Island. Alas, the local Auxiliary Flotilla leadership wasn't interested in admitting a female member. So, Mary spent her spare time as a Senior Leader for a mounted Girl Scout troop. She volunteered to help with horses instead of boats. All the while, she worked at their fish station.

Then, in 1964 Mary and Skid moved to New Port Richey, Fla. But, she stayed a "snowbird", arriving in the spring in Moriches to open the Fish Station. Mary didn't even think about the Coast Guard Auxiliary since she knew that didn't want a woman in their ranks. So, she was very surprised when she met Harry Cadenhead in 1968. Harry was the Flotilla Commander of New Port Richey Flotilla 11-6 and he encouraged Mary to join. She didn't have to be asked twice. Mary became the first female member of the New Port Richey Flotilla. 11-6 was only 10 years old at the time and Harry was a forward thinking leader.

In 1975 Mary's husband Skid passed away. The next twenty years brought Mary many ups and downs. She always liked to dance. Mary used to dance at the Eagles and Elks lodges, usually with her friends' husbands. One night she met Al, a drummer in the band. She and Al were together for two years, until he died. Still loving to dance, Mary went to Arthur Murray's Dance School. There she met another Al and they were so good as a team, they won a trip in a dance contest. Unfortunately this Al died also. Then Mary met Verne who was from upstate New York and was with him for ten years. Then, Verne passed on.

In 1995, Mary met Henry at a dance at the local Eagles Lodge. She loved the Auxiliary so much that she had Henry join. He published the Flotilla's newsletter for several years. Just recently their dancing days have ended when Mary twisted her ankle and it hasn't healed well.

Mary truly believes that "Fellowship is the glue that holds the flotilla together." To that end she has always been active in hospitality. Now, even at age 95, Mary is the Fellowship Chair for her Flotilla. She plans several events a year and was very instrumental in preparations for 11-6's fiftieth anniversary celebration earlier this year.

If you get a chance, meet Mary and spend some time with her. Her life and her experiences in the USCG Auxiliary are fascinating.

Yes, Mary, we still need you now that you're 95.

** With apologies to John Lennon and Paul McCartney*

Paperwork!

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Submitted by Sue Hastings, DSO-IS

It seems like there is so much paperwork required as a member of the Auxiliary. Completing forms can be very confusing especially to a new member and even to those of us who have been in the Auxiliary for a while.

To keep track of information about a member we use a system called AUXDATA (Auxiliary Database). Your name, member number, address, phone, courses taken, qualifications are all kept in this system. Your activity is in putted into AUXDATA via the Flotilla and Division Staff Officers for Information Services. The Member Mission Activity form (7030) records missions such as patrols, public education classes, public affairs missions, marine safety, etc. The Member Activity Log (7029 form) is used to record support activity much like a monthly timesheet used in industry. Our activity sheets enable us to show the Coast Guard how much activity is done in their support and the Coast Guard, in turn, uses this information for funding for the Auxiliary. Your time is important to the Coast Guard and Auxiliary Leadership at all levels. Also, the time you spend in support of the Auxiliary make you eligible to receive the Sustained Auxiliary Service Award which is given to any member that accumulates 750 hours of service and support.

New members usually say that they don't have any activity to report. However, that is not true. Typical activity for a new member includes attending and preparing for flotilla meetings, meeting with members or mentors to prepare for qualifications, studying for exams, sending/receiving emails, and telephone calls related to the Auxiliary. These activities can be submitted on the Member Activity Log (7029). An easy

way to keep track of your activity is to print out an Activity Log and complete it each month. You will note that there are 1-31 spaces to complete on the form, so just record your activity on the day of month it was done. The submitted form should be in whole numbers and you can combine time for emails/telephone calls, etc. and put in once for the month. Don't forget that your travel time to and from meetings and missions is also included on the Member Activity Log.

How do you submit your activity? You can print out a hard copy of the forms and give to your FSO-IS at your next Flotilla meeting. Or you can mail the copy to the IS officer. An easy way is to send the email version of the form. To get the forms go to <http://forms.cgaux.org/> on the National web site. You can click on FORMS and select the hard copy form you need. This section will also have instructions on completing the form and what codes to use for the 7030 forms. If you want to send your activity in via email, click on the EMAIL section and select the form you need. Make sure that you have the correct email address for your IS Officer.

How often should you submit your forms? Your Activity Missions should be submitted within 30 days of the mission. Your activity logs should be submitted once a month. Make a habit of submitting forms either at the end of the month or at your flotilla meeting. If you do this, you will then start accumulating hours towards your Sustained Service Award. Also you will be helping the Auxiliary and the Coast Guard to have accurate records of what you are doing. If you have any questions about completing the forms, please check with your Flotilla Information Services Staff Officer.

Around District 7



Submitted by Windy Ortega—ADSO-Puerto Rico & Virgin Islands.

Memorial Day May 26, 2008
PR National Cemetery, Bayamon, PR
Capitolio San Juan, PR

The Gold and Silver participated together presenting the colors at the Memorial Day ceremony at the Puerto Rico National Cemetery in Bayamon, and at the Fallen Heroes Memorial in San Juan, Puerto Rico. All branches of the armed forces were present on this solemn occasion. Guest speaker at the Puerto Rico National Cemetery was Hector E. Pagan, U.S. Army Brigadier General.



At the Memorial in San Juan every one was surprised with the appearance of guest speaker Hillary Clinton accompanied by her husband past U. S. President William "Bill" Clinton and their daughter Chelsea.



Members of the CG Color Guard, CG and AUX representatives were: CPT. Johanna Nunan, Ensign Anthony Fasace, E-3 Michael Lovett, E-3 Edwin Colon Melendez, E-3 Jonathan Ayers, E-2 Marvin Campbell, Sonia I. Rolón FC 1-10, Windy Ortega, VFC 1-10, Angel M. Benero PFC/FSO-MT. 1-10 and Vicente Velez, FSO-PA 1-10.

Photographs taken by Vicente Velez FSO-PA 1-10 & Windy Ortega, VFC 1-10

DIVISION 03

Submitted by Arnold Greenhouse, SO-PS -03

At our last Division meeting, FC /FSO-PS 31 Barbara Dombrowski was honored by the officers and crew of Station Ft. Lauderdale with a framed plaque and certificate for her work at the Station. Barbara cooks for the crew every Wednesday, provides them with home baked goodies and is an all around "Mom" to the crew. She is there to lend a sympathetic ear to the young crew with their personal problems. And when she is not the Station Mom, she is helping the Executive Officer with filing and other clerical tasks.





DIVISION 04

Submitted by Bob Richmond SO-PS -04



Vessel Exam stations was set up at Parrish Park in Titusville during the opening weekend of Safe Boating Week, and again over the Memorial Day Holidays



Flotilla 49 participated in a three island cleanup in cooperation with "Keep Brevard Beautiful" The coordinator was Cathy Everett of flotilla 49. This cleanup was after the Memorial day weekend, where boaters camped out on the Islands. 4 boat loads of trash in bags was brought back to the dumpsters. Hamburgers and hot dogs afterwards.



Division 4 participated in the launch of the Discovery by setting up security lines both at the Haulover Canal and barge canal on the Indian and Banana Rivers.



**New members are the key to the growth of a unit.
Flotilla 49 swearing in of new members.**



As Always, awards for outstanding service presented to members with dedication to the CG/Aux.



DIVISION 06

Submitted by Joel Aberbach, SO-PS -06

Cal Gordon, Captain (retired) James Maes, Joel Aberbach, SO-PS Past FC Lenore Schiller and Commodore Peter Fernandez. The event was the dedication of the first inhabited building in Miami Beach, the Federal Life Saving Station, built in 1876. The dedication was inspired by the USCG/Aux. Division 6.



DIVISION 07

Submitted by Gil Thomas, SO-PS -07

On March 22, 2008, Division 7 held a New Member Work Shop at Flotilla 79 in Tampa Florida. All the Division's FC'S, VFC'S, PS Officers and any flotilla members who wished to become a Fingerprint Technician were invited to attend this workshop. The New Member Workshop was conducted by Gilbert Thomas SO-PS and Cliff Martin SO-OP.

The PS workshop consisted of two parts. The first part was a Power Point presentation instructing the correct procedures for filling out New Member Enrollment Forms ANSC 7001 (01-08). It included sample letters, letter heads and handouts. Cliff Martin presented the second part of the workshop, which was a practical fingerprinting class for authorized flotilla Fingerprint Technicians and anyone who wanted to become a Finger Print Technician.



Guy Mandigo finger printing Kay Lori



Cliff Martin instructing the correct procedures for filling out the finger print card.



DIVISION 08

Submitted by Tom Johnston, SO-PS Division 08
and Judi Bidwick, FC Flotilla 86

On Saturday, March 1, 2008, Flotilla 86 had a picnic to wish our snowbirds a farewell.

Over the year we have tried to make social get-togethers a priority, and picnics have been the most successful effort we've had. Most of our picnics are held on the Intra-Coastal Waterway at the Nokomis Moorings (this is the old Coast Guard Building that is now inhabited by DIRAUX West and Fl 86 Member Training). Members bring appetizers, salads, casseroles or desserts to add to the soft drinks and grilled meats that are provided by the flotilla.

Our flotilla has a social committee that sets up, purchases, and arranges something each month of the year from October through May for our members. In addition, we also try to get to gather during the other months, in smaller numbers, to go to dinner, a lunch cruise, or just meet at someone's house.

This particular picnic welcomed two new members to our flotilla and it allowed those who were still in town to celebrate the coming of summer and to say "goodbye" to our fellow members who were heading out of town.



Juan Hernandez, VFC, and his wife Gloria with visitors Robert Bruno, Guenther Hennig and FSO-PA Officers Marion Hennig & Al Bidwick



Ed Stebner, FSO-AN, chows down with flotilla friends and visitors



Families, friends, and visitors are invited to share a good time when we get together.



Country Time Singers: Janice Marmion, the wife of one of our members leads this country/swing band.



Harry Bruno, FSO-CS, our cook for the day



DIVISION 10

On May 5, 2008, an International Oil Spill Conference was held in Savannah, Georgia, at the Trade Center on the Savannah River. Over 2,000 people from 50 countries were expected to attend. The purpose of the conference was to provide a forum for professionals from the private sector and both government and non-government agencies to demonstrate, discuss and plan for oil spills.

Lt. Cmdr. Kevin Lynn (Environmental Response Officer) of the Marine Safety Unit (MSU) in Savannah organized a demonstration of some of the current technologies and equipment used to deal with oil spills. The demonstration included two types of skimmers, a spill containment boom system, a pollution "evidence" collection system and an un-manned aerial vehicle (UAV) used to provide aerial surveillance of an oil spill.

Lt. Cmdr. Lynn, who is the AUXLO for Division 10, asked the three flotillas in the immediate area to provide 4 boats and crews for the demonstration as well as 4 communicators. The boats and crews provided security north and south of the demonstration area.



Auxiliary Vessel from 10-01



Auxiliary 10-11 Vessel at the Boom

Submitted by Ted Phillips, SO-PS Division 10

Also, after the deployment of the POPEIE (Probe for Oil Pollution Evidence in the Environment) by helicopter one of the boats retrieved the probe. And after the deployment of the oil containment boom system, again by helicopter, another Auxiliary vessel retrieved the boom and spread it out around a simulated oil spill. One of the communicators was stationed on a vessel that pulled the shallow water skimmer system and one was on the vessel that carried the UAV. A third communicator, located at Station Tybee, coordinated the two helicopters as they arrived at the station to pick up their respective loads to be deployed in the river. The fourth communicator worked along side "Mission Control" Lt. Cmdr. Lynn controlling the passage of the water taxis across the river keeping them clear of the demonstration area when the helicopters flew up the river.

The demonstration was a great success and extremely interesting for us Auxiliarist to see. We were pleased and honored to be asked to be part of the event.



Aux. Paul Bredwell 10-01; Ted Phillips 10-01; Lt. Commanders Weaver, (MSU PAS) & Lynn (Mission Control)



USCG Helo Preparing to Deploy Boom



DIVISION 11



Submitted by Greg Gamache, SO-PS Division 11

Activities in Division 11 include award banquets, annual picnics at Station Sand Key, Division night operations, helicopter operations, Operational Excellence training exercises, and safety patrols.



The "Raven" on Patrol



Exercise Drills



On Patrol



Night Patrol Raft-up



Awards



Patrol Raft-up



Division 11 Annual Banquet

DIVISION 15

Submitted by Cecil Spencer, SO-PS Division 15

HERNANDO BEACH - It was a good thing to host a regular Bingo night 30 years ago. The local U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 15-08 has a two-story building, 19-boat fleet and robust membership comprised of more than 130 volunteers. It became what it is today largely because of those past fundraising efforts.

"Back in the 1970s, there was a group in the auxiliary who really wanted to do it right," said Commander Ray Pullen. "And they really liked Bingo." Today they have boats, supplies and most of all a robust membership. The group still occupies the spacious facility at the corner of Shoal Line Boulevard and Calienta Street. The building includes a radio room, banquet hall, classroom and several storage areas.

That sense of community involvement has not been lost on the current leadership. Pullen and Vice Commander Paul P. Pelletier are organizing a two-day event next weekend to celebrate the start of National Safe Boating Week, which runs May 17-23.

Local shrimp boaters are especially grateful for the auxiliary - which provide first response and support services for the actual Coast Guard. "Boats go down all the time here," Pelletier said. "We've had three in the past month." Shrimp boaters know what to do in that situation. In fact, they often find a way to pull the boat back to the surface, patch it up and take it out again, Pelletier said. Nonetheless, the auxiliary is available for those rare instances of more serious accidents.

The water along Hernando County is a popular destination for boaters - experienced and inexperienced. "A lot of people here don't know the rules of the road," Pelletier said. "There are blind curves here like on a highway." The ongoing dredging project should improve matters, but it can still be treacherous along the channels, he said. Some boaters still refuse to use caution. "There could be a shrimper in a channel and someone could come flying around the corner and hit him, or hit the rocks, or come upon a sandbar," Pelletier said. "It's dangerous."

Pullen, who retired from the Coast Guard in 1977 after serving 23 years, told a story of a two-boat collision along the channel near Hernando Beach. One was going south while the other was heading north. When two boats are traveling toward each other, the skipper should turn to the right. One of them turned left and T-boned the other boat, Pullen said. It was raining and as many as 11 people were in one of the vessels, he continued. Some people were tossed out into the water. In spite of the potential for disaster, there were no injuries.

Often times, volunteers with the auxiliary are among the first to respond to such an accident, particularly during the weekends. The Coast Guard is in contact with the auxiliary every 20 minutes whenever one of its boats is out in the water, Pelletier said. Last year, auxiliary members logged more than 11,600 hours of volunteer work. Pullen himself logged more than 230 hours just last month, he said.

Next weekend's auxiliary-hosted event will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. There will be boats and equipment on display and membership information available.

By Tony Holt — Hernando Today

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DIVISION 16



On May 4th, Flotilla 16-01 together with other government agencies provided coverage for the “Ironman” Triathlon held on St. Croix.

St. Croix, Flotilla 16-01 completed training of the Virgin Island Police, Marine Division “Blue Lightning” Team, which included both classroom courses and on the water training.

Flotilla 16-01 was also asked to train members of WAPA (Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority). Management wants employees to be trained as boat crew, so that they can provide initial response to potential oil spills by deploying their boom. This course has been started, combining classroom work with on the water training.

On May 17th, St Croix celebrated the start of Safe Boating week with a gigantic public event involving many government agencies. The event was held at the Fredriksted Pier with hundreds of residents attending. Multiple government agencies — DPNR, Virgin Island Police Marine Enforcement, Coast Guard, and the U.S. Power Squadron worked together with Division 16 of the CG Auxiliary with a spirit of cooperation never

Submitted by Bob Marcy, SO-PS Division 16



before seen on St. Croix. with the Coast Guard Auxiliary the principal organizer. A Coast Guard cutter was available for tours and a Coast Guard helicopter performed a simulated rescue at sea. There were games for the children, free food and drink. Approximately 95 children’s life jackets were given away to those in need.



Also in early May a fellowship was combined with new member introductions at a member’s house on St. Croix.



Several new members were inducted into Flotilla

Proud Father



On June 7, Cecil Spencer SO-PS 15 and PDCP15 participated in a promotion ceremony at Dobbins AFRB for son Paul to Chief Master Sergeant. His promotion was effective June 1. Paul received the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal of at the ceremony.

Submitted by Cecil Spencer, SO-PS Division 15

Lt. Colonel Motylinki outlined many of Paul's accomplishments since joining the Air Force in 1980. Among the most recent success stories was the development of a total volunteer assignment system for his career field for Iraq and Afghanistan. It was not an easy sell, but it has since been adopted throughout the Air Force Reserve Command.

As part of the ceremony, Cecil and Paul's lovely wife Julie secured the stripes to his uniform. Paul's family is very proud that he has achieved the highest enlisted rank in his service, a group that according to Lt. Colonel Motylinki accounts for just 1% of the non commissioned personnel.



Photos by Alan Spencer, son of Cecil Spencer

New Member Enrollment & Support

New Member Contacts

Referral—from friends, family and members

E-responders—individuals who contact the Auxiliary by e-mail seeking information about membership

E-mail and Telephone—individuals who contact your flotilla.

New Member Prospects

Phone

Try to contact new member prospects within 48 hours.

Introduce yourself — try to learn about the prospective new member.

Set up a time for the new member interview.

Email Sample—Courtesy of Charles McCarty SO-PS –12

This is in follow-up to your inquiry to the National E-responder system of the USCG Auxiliary. I am Division Personnel Services Officer. I was unable to reach you by phone at either home or work this morning.

Your home location falls between a couple of our area units; Flotilla ___ in ___ and meets at _____, and Flotilla ___ in _____ and meets at _____.

In order to connect you to a local personnel services officer, I would like to chat with you to learn of your preferences in terms of flotilla location. Please drop me a message or call me, and we will immediately work to set up a convenient time and place to brief you on the process and our activities.

As you probably read at our National web pages, we volunteers engage in a variety of functions designed to promote safe boating through teaching boating courses; inspecting pleasure boats; distributing boating safety materials to marinas, boating supply stores and other partners whom cater to the boating public, and assisting the Coast Guard in both administrative and operational duties ashore and on the waterways.

We appreciate your initiative in responding to our web page.

Letter Sample—Courtesy of Gil Thomas—SO-PS –07

Dear _____

I am excited to hear of your interest in membership in the finest volunteer organization afloat. Since its creation by Congress in 1929, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary has served as the civilian non-military component of the United States Coast Guard. Since the recreational boating population in the United States is growing rapidly, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary needs a few good men and women like you.

I cordially invite you to attend our next membership meeting to be held on _____ at _____. We meet at _____. This will also give you an opportunity to meet the members and hear about our mission. I have enclosed a map to help you arrive at our location.

If you would like more information about the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, please contact me at _____ or email me at _____



What's New



IMPORTANT INFORMATION, UPDATES AND CHANGES FOR 2008

Member ID Card Replacement

All- Effective immediately all ID card replacement request will be via the ID Card Gateway on the D7 Director of Auxiliary website. All prior requests will be acted on until complete. All future requests outside this new process will be returned with direction to follow the below process. Request you forward to your FC's and PS staff officers.

*****You must add D7Gateway@d7diraux.org to your safe senders list in order to receive your password and/or email confirmation from the ID Card Gateway*****

Go to: <http://d7diraux.org/>

Click on Auxiliary Gateways > click ID cards (on right)

Member's action:

Any IQ, BQ, AX, (AP member not eligible) member can request an ID

ard by accessing the top portion under "Request ID Card Replacement". Members enter their member # and Zip then click continues. Once in they can update information on stat sheet and attach their photo if necessary.

If member updates photo they will have an option to crop the photo to fit ID. Hint: If the picture is tall the member can crop from left and right to balance the photo. Member should refresh browser after each crop.

Once information is current member will click submit. Member will receive confirmation of request via email. Please ensure your email address is up to date in AUXDATA.

Flotilla Commanders action:

Member's Flotilla commander will receive an email stating they have a pending ID card request. FC will click the web address given in email to process request. Once FC is at website they will use the "Process ID Card Replacement Requests" portion of the page.

FC will need to enter their ID and Zip Code, and then click process. Your Password will be emailed to you ASAP. Once you receive you new pass word use it to access the "Process ID Card Replacement Requests" portion of the page by filling in ID, your new password and clicking process.

The FC will see the ID card pending their approval at this point. After information is reviewed by FC, they have the option to approve or reject. Approved cards will be sent to our DIRAUX Automation program for printing by our DIRAUX staff. Rejected request will be sent back to member. FC can respond directly to member on rejected card request.

All ID card printed will be mailed to FC's approving. Again AP members will not be able to use this process; their IDs are processed by DIRAUX after favorable PSI vetting.

All questions should be directed via the Customer service gateway using the "this website" category on the drop down menu. **



THE ANSC 7001 (01-08)

Previous editions are obsolete. Read and follow instructions on pages 1-8.

1. Only the ANSC 7001 (01-08) must be used
2. Two (2) complete packages are required; pgs 1-5 Blue or Black pen may be used. The second package may be photocopied.
3. Submit 2 fingerprint cards (black ink preferred)
4. Submit the new member exam sheet
5. Submit a copy of the Boating Safety Course Certificate if previously taken
6. Submit one photo of the new prospective member either as a photo print or CD. Include the name of the individual and Flotilla on the rear of the photo or CD. A floppy is not recommended.
7. Submit a copy of the document used to verify citizenship.

SUBMISSION OF THE 7001: ALL new member packages must be submitted to DirAux West via the DDSL or ADDSL

The 7035: CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Please remember when submitting the 7035 for a transfer, disenrollment, death or retirement that the division captain's signature is NOT OPTIONAL in District 7. Please forward all 7035s to your DCP for their signature before submitting to the DSO-PS.

Member Deaths: When submitting a 7035 for the death of a member please include the date of death and the relationship of the next of kin (wife, husband, son, daughter).

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Department of Personnel: <http://www.auxpdept.org/>

District 7: <http://www.cgaux7.org/>

USCG Auxiliary: <http://nws.cgaux.org/index.html>

7th District Store: <http://www.cgaux7.org/d7store/default.htm>

Aux Info: <http://www.cgaux7.org/auxinfo/>

Aux Data: <http://auxdata.uscg.gov/>

Zip Code Flotilla Finder: <http://ff.cgaux.org/>

E-Directory: <http://www.auxedirectory.org/>

Uniform distribution Center:
http://www.uscg.mil/UNIFORMS/UDC_Orders.htm

Congratulations District 7



New Members from January 1 to June 30, 2008

Division 01

Acevedo, Carlos
Alicea, Abraham
AmaroRomero, Julio
Aviles, Angel R.
Aviles, Geovannie
Canales, Gerson
Cardoza, Raynolds
Colon, Jose L.
DeJesus, Miguel
Garcia, Dianna
Hansen, Douglas R.
King, Clifton
Maldonado, Fernando
Martinez, Luis A.
Naar, Rosa
Perez, Jose A.
Sosa, Carlos
Velez, Jorge
Velez, Vicente
Wade, Thomas

Division 02

Brophy, Matthew
Carter, Brandon
Connorton, Terence
Evans, Christopher
Powell, Michael
Warren, David
White, Brenton

Division 03

Antonuccio, Marc
Bello, Jorge
Burt, Richard
Carbonneau, Nubia
Colon, Rafael
Deangelis, Gail
Emond, Bryan
Enger, Kenneth
Enger, Rachael
Friedkin, Lora
Hady, Ronald W.
Hanlon, William
Herndon, Nicholas
Jodoin, Claude
Jones, Terry W.
Karentz, Christopher-
Kozel, George
Krugler, Ralph E.
Lewis, Gregory M.
Lutjen, Theodore
Lutjen, Rebecca
Munoz, Aniceto
Perez, James G.

Division 03 Contd.

Shulman, Bob
Siden, Martin L.
Torres, Amanda
Ullah, Habib

Division 04

Bowyer, Samantha
Brubaker, Craig R.
Calvert, Brunhilde
Conk, Leroy J., Jr.
Edwards, Caitlyn
Elwood, Kevin
Eshelman, Benjamin
Farmer, Walter E. II
Gates, Robert T.
Jarvis, Kevin P.
Knaisch, Ellen M.
Kraus, Adam A.
Lester, Ronald
Limpert, Robert
Lincoln, Leon C.
Loveless, Nathan S.
Miller, Donna
Powers, Wesley
Prater, John M.
Rhinhart, Christopher
Rhinhart, Heather
Rivers, William A.
Santiago, Edgardo
Smith, Dorian O.
Smith, James K.
Stafford, James
Starmer, Eric E.
Tasior, Christopher
Triebell, Robert Sr.
Wilson, Charles

Division 05

Baker, Robert H.
Brandenburg, Frederick
Byers, Gregory C.
Camara, Franklin J.
Canoryan, Susana
Coe, Maurice A.
Conway, Brook
Curry, Lea Ann
Curry, Robert
Ebstein, Alan R.
Evans, James M.
Fenton, Claire
Grutman, Jay
Healy, James B.
Herrmann, Daniel S.
McGoldrick, Michael
Meridy, Howard

Division 05 Contd.

Meyers, Raymond
Mungo, Joseph
Ortiz, Wilson
Oster, Vernon
Palermo, Edwin
Pelot, Samuel B.
Perez, Alberto
Perkins, Richard C.
Perkins, William
Roan, Franklin
Roan, Pauline
Saylor, Aaron
Simpson, Charles
Simpson, Santina
Steinbach, Richard
Urban, James
Walma, Daniel

Division 06

Bresztyenszky, Rezso
Brown, Cheryl J.
Buzzella, Stephen, Sr.
Charris, Kenny
Cohan, Christopher
Cohan, Elena
Colon, Gilberto
Corbalis, Kyle
Delgado, Maria
Downey, Victoria
Drosdowech, Laura
Froman, Mark
Gomez, Rene
Gonzales, Theresa F.
Green, Gary S.
Hodge, Saeshaun
Joseph, Harold
Kowalski, Theodore
Lanahan, Karen
Lopez, George
Mapp, Michele A.
Mattison, Thomas C.
Medvin, Jacob S.
Medvin-Thompson, Kim
Nin, Robin
Ochsenschlager, Daniel
Paulini, Matthew
Pelton, Michael
Pena, Jorge
Reategui, Dick
Rodriguez, Luis
Roland, David J.
Sandre, Catherine
Seiderman, Roni
Shulman, Mitchell
Villar, Rafael

Division 07

Aponte, Heleydo M.
Baty, John, Jr.
Bennett, Derith
Deyarmin, David
Durland, Robert, Jr.
Flinchbaugh, Steven
Greco, Rosario
Johnson, Vernon C.
Mang, Michael R.
Marchant, Bradley
Moringstar, Ken
Sheldon, Laura D.
Short, Maria
Short, Richard L.
Smeck, Rober
Szczepanski, Ilisa G.
Szuch, Louis, Sr.
Thornton, Bruce
Welden, Roger F.
Wood, James G.

Division 08

Abbott, Philip
Carr, Robert D., Sr.
Clouston, Charlotte
Conklin, Bonnie
Conklin, Eugene
Cyr, Dana A.
Dennis, Lawrence
Diuguid, Gex
English, Kelli M.
Finkelstein, Walter
Finley, Patricia
Howington, Ronald
Johnson, Richard N.
LeCour, Frederick
Shields, Michael
Smith, Daniel G.
Wagner, Mary

Division 09

Atkinson, William
Bareither, Susan
Bareither, William
Brenner, Scott J.
Brooks, Calvin, Jr.
Brown, Dennis R.
Cabrera, Eugene
Calander, Lary D.
Carroll, John, Jr.
Cherney, Dennis
Cronacher, Victoria
Cronacher, Warren
DiPierro, Michael
Dobrovic, Michael



Welcome



Division 09 Contd.

Drumheller, Thomas
 Ebert, Edward J.
 Ewa, Andrew S.
 Foley, Richard
 Ewa, Andrew S.
 Foley, Richard
 Goddard, Gene
 Harris, Emily
 Ingalls, Dana
 Jermain, Philip R.
 Joslyn, Fay I.
 Kenyon, Richard
 Kinkin, Darrell
 Kinkin, Ruth Ann
 Leese, James P.
 Long, Thomas W.
 Ludwig, Michael E.
 Martin, Thomas C.
 McCullouch, William
 Morain, Robert
 Navarro, Sonia
 O'Grady, Reta
 Powers, William
 Pridham, Donna
 Pridham, Ronald
 Richter, Gerald
 Savoie, Johnpaul
 Schettino, Alfred
 Schrader, Edwin, Jr.
 Schwartz, Ronald
 Spiller, Rodney M.
 Stevens, Donald
 Swanson, Gerald R.
 Thompson, Allen

Division 10

Crane, Roger
 Jurick, John J.
 King, Clifton S.
 Speir, John C.
 Williams, Alfred, Jr.
 Winarchick, John, Jr.

Division 11

Bruorton, Robert H.
 Converse, Amanda L.
 Coy, Rusty
 Davis, Dudley W.
 Desmarais, Roland
 Dunn, Wayne
 Foster, Ronald
 Kurtz, Albert III
 Lobdell, Charles
 Marquez, Gary John
 Pendergraft, Kennen
 Pierce, Gary P.
 Romanski, Theodore
 Vandenberg, Brittany

Division 12

Cormany, Neal
 Happ, Richard
 Harvin, Septimus
 Hiser, Bret D.
 Jackson, Walter L., Jr.
 Kerl, Donald
 Livingston, Joe, Sr.
 Lowe, Patrick
 Lynch, Marie
 Pelletier, Caroline
 Robinson, Andrew
 Sbalbi, Samuel M.
 Simmons, Terence
 Storch, William A.
 Tuten, John W., Jr
 Thibodeaux, Barbara
 Wilcox, Randall
 Tuten, John W., Jr.
 Wilcox, Randall

Division 13

Allmond, Sandra
 Allmond, Virgil
 Baker, Lee
 Baker, Linda
 Ball, Edward
 Ball, Sharon
 Coady, Edward
 Coady, Geraldine
 Coffey, Jessica L.
 Coffey, Joshua W.
 Heim, Susan R.
 Joos, Theresa
 Mack, Erika
 Mara, Martin J.
 McManus, Nicholas
 McNeese, Kenneth
 Redding, Suzan
 Rose, Pamela
 Sveine, Burton

Division 13 Contd.

Swift, Paul S.
 Williams, Lyman
 Williams, Rita M

Division 14

Coats, James B.
 Craven, Richard A.
 Fields, John, Jr.
 Fisher, Jan D.
 Gallagher, Thomas S.
 Hans, James E.
 Johnson, Venus
 Johnson, Walter D.
 Klinefelter, Corliss
 Large, Frank J.
 Leroy, Thomas C.
 Ludlow, Reba J.
 McFarland, Archie, Jr.
 McFarland, Cynthia
 Regan, Jeffrey C.
 Mier, Brian S.
 Morris, Sarah
 Patrick, David
 Perrone, Kenneth
 Powell, Charles
 Pytel, Roman
 Quinlan, Thomas A.
 Quinlan, Thomas J.
 Rendini, Brian
 Roberts, George F.
 Sawyer, Kevin
 Schnapp, Joseph W.
 Schondelmaier, Susan
 Smith, Donald R.
 Smith, Travis
 Sorkin, Robert
 Tynda, Paul
 Wagner, Thomas J.
 Washington, Robert L.

Division 15

Barber, William, III
 Barry, Jeffery S.
 Buckland, Cindy
 Burke, James W., III
 Cullin, Jack W.
 Cummings, Steven R.
 Davenport, Paul
 Delnegro, Marshall
 Delnegro, Susan
 Fahey, John J.
 Johnson, Rudolph
 Limor, Nachshon
 MacDonald, James
 McAllister, Bruce
 McAllister, Catherine
 Melvin, Edward
 Melvin, Kathleen
 Miller, Kenneth E.
 Mitrani, Carol
 Mitrani, Edward
 Morin, Michael
 Orell, Logan
 Ott, Timothy
 Pena, Pedro
 Phillips, Anthony
 Reed, John R.
 Rood, Laurel
 Scheider, John T.
 Smit, Matthew, G.
 Wilcox, Matthre L.
 Witham, Ronald

Division 16

Adams, Victor A.
 Bareuther, Rian L.
 Barton, Kelli A.
 Buffkin, Ralph E.
 Constantine, Mervyn, Jr.
 Dickerson, Dennis
 Hamilton, George R., Sr.
 Harrison, John B.
 Holder, Lofton
 Lordi, Paul D.
 Marshall, Charles E.
 Pelot, Samuel, Jr
 Ramos, Miguel A.
 Richardson, Judith
 Richardson, Matthew
 Starkey, Thomas D.
 Sydney, Marcus K.
 Wesley, Robert
 Wollenweber, Arthur

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2008 Retirees

Department of Homeland Security

United States Coast Guard



Takes pleasure in conferring to:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Service Years</u>
Frank J. Milio	08	32
Jack G. Bondus	04	29
Raymond Schneider	03	26
Donald J. Price	08	26
Elsa Price	08	26
Florence Owen	03	25
Thomas E. Sage	04	23
Bradley Smith	02	19
Robert Stoughton	07	19
John J. Warner	09	18
Janet Bowen	13	17
Marilyn Kahn	14	17
William F. Dyer	08	16
Patricia D. Johnson	06	16
Darlene Borts	12	16
Lee Borts	12	16
Charles W. Hawkins	02	15

RETIRED STATUS

in the

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

In recognition of significant contributions and devoted service to the organization and its boating safety programs.

2008

Division 04—Raymond H. Naudin

Division 05—Joseph DiLiddo, Melvin Levine

Division 06—Howard Krasnoff

Division 08—Peter Targia, Robert G. Mitchell

Division 09—Joan Durkin, John B. Heistein,
Robert C. Tingle

Division 10—Diane B. Miller

Division 11—J. W. Deese, Robert Grace

Division 13— Joseph Welty

Division 15—Anthony Kupcheck

Crossing the Bar

*Sunset and evening star
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea,*

*But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.*

*Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;*

*For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.*

By Alfred Lord Tennyson

The Picture Page



The Picture Page Too





Remember



REMEMBER Memorial Day, Flag Day, 4th of July and for those who have served and those who have given their lives. Be proud of the country we live in and even more – proud of those who serve to protect our "GODGIVEN" rights and freedoms.

I hope you take the time to read this, to understand what the flag draped coffin really means. Here is how to understand the flag that is laid upon it and is surrendered to so many widows and widowers. Do you know that at military funerals, the 21-gun salute stands for the sum of the numbers in the year 1776? Have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the United States of America Flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but we learn something new every day!

The 1st fold of the flag is a symbol of life.



The 2nd fold is a symbol of the belief in eternal life.



The 3rd fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing the ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of the country to attain peace throughout the world.



The 4th fold represents the weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in time of war for His divine guidance



The 5th fold is a tribute to the country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our Country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."



The 6th fold is for where people's hearts lie. It is with their heart that They pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States Of America , and the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all. The 7th fold is a tribute to its Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that they protect their country and their flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of their republic.



Trivia Questions

1. What is the most dangerous animal in the world?
2. How many square miles is Lake Okeechobee and what does the name mean?
3. How many times can a piece of paper be folded in half?
4. Which of the 50 states has never had an earthquake?
5. *How many feet of chain has a vessel laid, when it has paid out two "shot"?*
6. *What is the name of the most reliable and effective gasoline fume detection system you can have aboard your vessel, and how is it activated?*
7. *We may hear a forecaster express wave heights as six foot "seas", or six foot "swells". What's the distinction?"*
8. *How many peanuts are in an 8 oz jar of peanut butter?*
9. *How did the military salute evolve?*
10. *Why are manhole covers round?*
11. *Who were the only 2 people who signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776?*
- 12 Scramble — In honor of our troops

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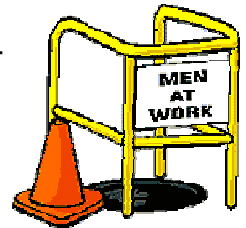
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ROGLY

See next page for answers!

Trivia Answers

1. The common housefly because of their habits of visiting animal waste, they transmit more diseases than any other animal.
2. Lake Okeechobee is 730 square miles and means "Big Water"
3. No matter its size or thickness, no piece of paper can be folded in half more than 7 times.
4. North Dakota
5. 180 feet (a "shot" is 15 fathoms, or 90 feet)
6. Your nose, and it is of course activated by "sniffing".
7. The main distinction is with the origin. "Seas" are waves that originate and are evident at your location. "Swells" are waves at your location that originated somewhere else.
8. 850 peanuts make up a 18 oz. jar of peanut butter.
9. The Military Salute evolved from medieval times when knights in armor raised their visors to reveal their identity.
- 10 So they don't fall in! Manholes, which interconnect underground sewerage pipes, and serve as a point of entry for cleaning the pipes, are located at every major sewer pipe junction, and are capped with round manhole covers. The reason for the circular construction of these covers is, quite simply, that covers of any other shape would fall through the manholes by virtue of their varying diameters. Circular manhole covers do not vary in width, or in diameter, as is the case with these other shapes, thus remaining in place despite the street traffic running roughshod over them.
11. The only 2 people who actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776 were John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2 but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.



12. Scrambled

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