

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 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."

Semper Paratus





USCG Auxiliary



District 7

The Bridge



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District Chief of Staff
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USCG Auxiliary

District 7



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Retention

**South
Carolina**

Georgia



Alan Miles 12



Rene Rice 2



Ted Philips 10

**The
District 7
PS Team**

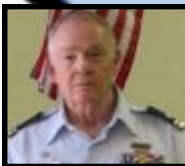


Ned Barry 15



Don Mooers 14

Florida



Max Garrison 11



Charlie Wilson 4



Gil Thomas 7



Daniel Moore 5



Allegria Bouquet 8



Arnold Greenhouse 3



Max Le Fevre 9



Joel Aberbach 6

Puerto Rico



Rafael Martinez 1

Virgin Islands



Don Kittmiller 13



Bob March 16

Paperwork!

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Keeping Up to Date !!!!!

Submitted by Sue Hastings, DSO-IS

One of the biggest problems in the Auxiliary is keeping your information up to date. Most members remember to use a ANSC 7028 “Change of Member Information” form when they move but forget about their new email addresses, cell phones, etc.

This was very evident when the District’s new Emergency Alert system was tried out in May. The system sent out a message to members home phone numbers, cell phone numbers, and email addresses. We learned a lot about using the system and what not to do in the future. This is a quick way for the Coast Guard and Auxiliary leadership to get information to all the members of the district, sector, division, or flotilla quickly. The Coast Guard wants to make sure that all members of the Coast Guard family are safe in times of emergency.

I also did a test of the email addresses in AUXDATA to see how many would bounce. We had approximately 4,600 email addresses and about 364 bounced. I sent those names back to our Division and Flotilla IS officers to get AUXDATA up to date.

Please check with your Flotilla Staff officer for Information Services to find out what information is in AUXDATA for you. If it is incorrect, please get it corrected. With the hurricane season upon us, we need to keep our information up to date.



Thanks



A special thanks is extended to Mel Schumacher for the fine job he has done while serving as SO-PS 5 Officer. Your response and dedication was most appreciated. You certainly can be proud of the contribution you have made this past year in the PS Department. Good luck to you as Flotilla 52's Flotilla Commander.

Welcome



The PS Department would like to welcome Daniel Moore, SO-PS in Division 5. Daniel, although a fairly new member, has been doing a fantastic job in representing Division 5. He has demonstrated the ability to lead, communicate, and assist in the recruiting chain.

Daniel also holds the following positions: FC-57, SO-PS, FSO-CS, FSO-PB.



Around District 7

DIVISION 5

Submitted by Chris Abernethy Flotilla 51

Auxiliarists from Flotilla 51 of the Palm Beaches staffed a booth at the 24th Annual Palm Beach International Boat Show held March 26-29, 2009.

Even with the economic problems our country is experiencing, it was estimated that approximately 10,000 people stopped by the booth during the four day period.

Flotilla 54 FC Charlie Reiner, dressed up in the panda outfit, made a big hit with “children” of all ages as he moved through the show spreading the message of boating safety.

Our safety message was well received and we also received a number serious prospects for both the Auxiliary and active duty recruiters.

Working at the show took a lot of effort but everyone agreed that it was loads of fun



Photo taken by Tom Phelps, Flotilla 51

Madeline, The Turtle

Submitted by Otto Spielbichler Flotilla 54

Station Lake Worth Inlet occasionally calls on members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary to go into the public schools and present programs on their behalf.

On May 15, Betty Underwood and Otto Spielbichler, Flotilla 54, attended a Career Day Program at Palm Springs Elementary School in Palm Beach County.

They did five presentations to kindergarten and second grade classes. Even at that young age, the children knew that the Coast Guard protected the lives of boaters, rescued drowning people, cleaned up messes and protected animals. In addition to briefly adding to their career knowledge, the Auxiliarists stressed having fun on boats, staying seated when the boat was underway





SAFE BOATING WEEK AT STATION LAKE WORTH

Submitted by Otto Speilbichler Flotilla 54

On Saturday, May 16th, Safe Boating Week in Palm Beach began at the Open House Celebration at Station Lake Worth Inlet. Marine oriented displays and activities, were staffed by Coast Guard personnel and members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Making it clear to visitors that the business of the two organizations was safeguarding the boating public and marine environment.



Police K9 dogs sniffed various packages and found those with illegal contents while other visitors climbed aboard Coast Guard boats and examined equipment used for search and rescue and immigrant interdiction missions. Gumbo Limbo Nature Center and the Juno Beach Turtle Rehabilitation Center informed other visitors about the treatment and care of marine animal.

While some members of a family supported the Station's Morale fund by purchasing hot dogs, popcorn, cold drinks, T shirts from Coast Guard personnel, others contributed by purchasing raffle tickets for a chance to win items donated by local business and individuals.

There was more, including a working Aid To Navigation Display. Cheerleaders who painted designs on the faces of willing youngsters and Ronald Mc Donald, an easily recognized character, amused visitors but also encouraged them to be safe on the water

Coastie, cruised around the Station with the able assistance of two Auxiliarists, captured the attention of children with advice on safe boating. All in all it was a good day for Coast Guard personnel and for visitors and one way or another the visitors, young and old, learned about safe boating.

Marine oriented business organizations, environmental groups and public safety personnel were also present. Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission had a large display on the capture and treatment of sick and injured manatees. Sea Tow distributed life jackets and information to visitors and BoatUS displayed marine safety products boaters would need in an emergency on the water. Home Depot personnel supervised youngsters as they made miniature sailboats and then raced them in long water-filled troughs.



If you are an Auxiliarist, participate for a few hours next year and pass on to a new generation of young boaters what you have learned from years of practical experience so they can safely enjoy boating in Florida's marine environment.



DIVISION 7



Submitted by Gil Thomas, SO-PS Division 7

On Sunday, May 31, 2009 , members of Flotilla 74 installed their new flotilla sign and the public now know that we are around. Brain Wohlwend FSO-PE is receiving phone calls from people driving by who are requesting information about our Boating Safety Classes.

Thanks to all for a great job.



Ron Matz, August Miller and Kevin Matz setting the sign.

Boating Classes Do Make a Difference

On May 9, 2009, Flotilla 74 held an About Boating Safety class at the Off The Wall Adventures in Lakeland, Florida. The class started at 0900 and eight students attended. A six-members family attended the boating safety class after purchasing a new boat. Having limited boating knowledge they were not taking the new boat out until completing the boating safety class.

A few days later, I met a gentleman who attended the boating class at West Marine in Winter Haven and was asked to a help purchase distress signals. He was replacing outdated flares after attending the boating safety class.

The instructors for the class were Wally Lowery, Ronald Matz, Galen Johnston, Jim Mulligan, Gilbert Thomas and Bob Gibson.

A special thanks, goes to Mr. T.J. Konitzer the owner of Off The Wall Adventures for allowing Flotilla 74 to use his classroom and for his continuing support of the USCG Auxiliary Safe Boating program.



Bob Gibson instructing boating safety class at Off The Wall Adventures



DIVISION 10



Submitted by: Ted Phillips, SO-PS Division 10

When Ted Phillips was sworn in as the new Flotilla Commander of Flotilla 10-2, Savannah, GA, his grandson, Aaron Cain, attended wearing his USAF ROTC uniform. Two weeks later his grandson was sworn in as the Cadet Wing Commander (rank of Cadet Colonel or USCG Captain) of the Valdosta State University ROTC.

At Aaron's graduation from Valdosta State University, he was to be sworn in as a 2nd Lt. in the USAF and assigned to attend Navigator Training. He requested his grandfather, Ted Phillips, FC, do the honor of "swearing in" and so on the night of graduation, Savannah's 10-2 Flotilla Commander Ted Phillips, administered the official "Oath" to his grandson.

When the cadets attended their graduation they did not wear the traditional "Caps and Gowns". Instead, they wore their uniforms with the appropriate new 2nd Lt. Bars on their uniforms. They were officially sworn in as USAF Officers and introduced to the audience as the "Newest 2nd Lieutenants in the USAF". The crowd gave them a loud, long and standing ovation before the beginning of the awarding of diplomas.



"Wow, what a grandparent HIGH!"



DIVISION 12



Flotilla 12-8 represented the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in celebration of its 70th Anniversary, at the “WORLD GRITS FESTIVAL” on April 17th and 18th in St. George, South Carolina. This was a totally new experience for Auxiliary members and many goals were accomplished. Flotilla 12-8 Auxiliarists, Barbara Thibodeaux, FSO-PA and Alan Miles, VFC set up their booth and displays. On Friday crowds numbered over one thousand. Children ages 5 through 10 lined up to experience the thrill and the impact of the lesson as taught in the Flotilla’s new Helicopter Rescue game. Miles designed and created the game and said, “It’s amazing to be on one knee looking into the eyes of a little kid in a pilot’s helmet who just rescued two fishermen and had to leave a third behind because he was not wearing a life jacket. The kids get it. They really get it. This whole project has completely exceeded all my expectations.”



After the parade, the booth operation continued with the help of Bob Mathews, FSO-MT and Agnes Wright, past FSO-MS. On Saturday, once again, over 200 children lined up and participated in the Helicopter Rescue Game



Helicopter Rescue game training aid for life jacket

The main event of the afternoon was the “Grits Tank”. Contestants would jump into a pool of warm grits and roll about to see how much would stick to them. They were then weighed to determine the winner. Alan Miles, suited up in an orange rain suit with life jacket, crash helmet, and heaving line ready to rescue anyone lost in the grits. The event announcer was from a popular local radio station. Before, during and after the event, the announcer praised the Auxiliary for its efforts in serving the nation for the past 70 years. The event drew the attention of several local newspapers and media crews.

On Saturday while Barbara Thibodeaux operated the booth, Joe Fleming, FC and Alan Miles, VFC, and Bob Lovinger, FSO-PE boarded the Flotilla boat for a parade down Main Street. With the accuracy of a skilled sniper, Bob Lovinger, would seek out the little ones in the crowds of thousands, and send a volley of “Tootsie Rolls” flying off in their direction. The parade continued for several miles as the crowds hailed and praised the USCG and USCG AUX. The reception of this small town to the USCG and Auxiliary was astonishing.



USCG AUX rescue’r Alan Miles at the world GRITS Festival as a representative from Quaker Oats prepares to jump into a pool filled with grits.



The next time you are served a bowl of grits, “Think *Semper Paratus*”. Anytime, Anyplace, Anywhere.



What's New



DISTRICT 7 WEBSITE

www.cgaux7.org

The District Personnel Services Office located on the D-7 Website has been updated. Once on the website, click Departments – Logistics (Click for Staff) – Personnel Services (click for news). There you will find the following:

NEWS – Reports and information from the DSO-PS.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS – A complete job description for both the SO-PS and FSO-PS.

RESOURCES – Manuals, procedures, documents or links related to this office.

FORMS – You will find the latest forms used by an Auxiliarist.

CONTACTS – You will be able to contact the DSO-PS for further information.

All Auxiliarists should take advantage of the information posted there.

NEW MEMBER RESOURCES

ANSC now has available:

5029 - CD-ROM, NEW MEMBER RESOURCES - Provides the guides and information necessary to help enroll new members. Includes new member guides, exam, sample forms, AUX Manual, Uniform Procurement, etc. (REV. 03/2009)

Included on CD:

Prospective Member Information
New Member Student Study Guide
New Member Reference Guide
Auxiliary Manual (M16790.1F)
New Member Involvement Plan
New Member Exam
New Member Exam Blank Answer Sheet
New Member Application Checklist
Uniform Procurement Guide
Sample Form 7028
Sample Form 7029
Sample Form 7030

Note: This CD can be requested by entering 5029 on the bottom of Flotilla Supply Requisition until the updated form is available. The New Member guides and the New Member Instructor Guide are still available in print form.

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://d7materials.org/index.html>

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—April 1— June 30, 2009

Division 1

Correa-Santos, Rafael Luis
Crespo, Delfin
DeJesus-Garcia, Elliot R.
Deliz, Adrian Tirado
Ferrer, Luis Antonio
Kerr, Lance Christian
Luigi, Giancarlo Enrico
Luigi, Hiram E.
Maisonet-Vargas, Gregorio
Matos, Carlos E.
Medina, Christian Dumeng
Perez-Garcia, Aberlardo
Perez-Rodriguez, Carmen
Ravelo, Amado B.

Division 2

Clem, Kerry Sanford
Clem, Kevin Michael
Combs, Paul
Fultz, Daryl Forkner
Fultz, Karen Berkley
Goodroe, Rhonda L.
Heffernan, Thomas
McMenamin, James
McMenamin, Patricia
Miglionico, Dominic
Nixon, John
Nixon, Shawn S.
Tihey, John

Division 3

Bierwirth, George J.
Celestino, Katherine M.
Duncan, Merry Lisa
Geffen, Elan Ray
Geffen, Irving Eric
Hackney, Robert
James, Fabiola
James, Thomas
Lowell, James F.
Lowell, Richard W., Jr.
Merrit, Marvin
Rabatin, Ryan Taylor

Division 3 Contd.

Seiden, Henry M.
Stevens, Lisa Ann
Walford, Kevin C.

Division 4

Alameda, Albert A.
Bell, Jeannie L.
Lynn, Robert Lee
Zielinski, John

Division 5

Allard, William E.
Barber, Donald
Bravo, Jane Carol
Brice, Charles Roland
Ferguson, Eric
Finster, Alfred J. Jr.
Hopper Amber
Huffines, Patricia
Kalinowski, Kelly Ann
Kalinowski, Patricia Ann
Kalinowski, Robert John
Kalinowski, Robert Joseph
Mister, Lonnie
Morrell, Michael D.
Nelsen, Carol
Schara, Charles J.
Scheinberg, Arnold R.
Shaw, Stephen R.
Summers, Burton B.
Treffersen-Hammel, Valerie
Zorns, Debra Lynn
Zorns, Scott Harley

Division 6

Abi-Rafeh, Ibrahim
Alcantara, Angel Y.
Barbolini, Guy M. III
Basulto, Manuel Jr.
Carbara, Caesar D.

Division 6

Carbana, Joanne M.
Estrela, Manuel Ferro
Ferrero, Joe
Hamlin, Ray
Hayes, Andrea
Kermanj, Sohrab
Lind, Constance Mae
Lopez, Damary
Lopez, Humberto Jr.
Mallia, Teresa Z.
Martinez, Aida L.
Martinez, Roberto G.
Ordaz, Pedro J.
Pena, Jose Manuel
Perez, Adam A.
Ramos, Hummer
Rodriguez, Marcelino
Samuelson, Barbara Jane
Sanchez, Luis
Scholz, James Robert
Shapiro, Scott I.
Torres, Ricardo
Walters, Craig Aaron

Division 7

Cook, Bryan David
Daly, Desmond P.
Davis, Eric
DeLeon, Jose Luis
Holder, Dillard K.
Holland, Jay Brainard
Isham, James D.
Levin, Penny Ann
Louzau, Racheal Denisse
Lowry, Nancy S.
Mion, Monica Marie
Nelson, William W.
O'Brien, Judith Ellen
Ochi, Patricia
Rupp, Mark
Simpson, Brenda
Starns, Robert C.
Vogel, Timothy Scott



Welcome



Division 8

Bilsky, Sanford
Crawford, Keith L.
Graves, James W.
Morelli, Royal R.
Johnson, Bill
Sapuppo, Anthony
Toomey, James K.
Weede, Valerie
Wilson, Kristen

Division 9

Ausloos, Galen F.
Brumley, KENNETH H.
Carloni, Louis A. Jr.
Casper, Conrad J.
Crockwell, Cynthia R.
Giesecke, James R.
Heffron, Eldred M.
Kriney, John
Lombardo, Anthony G.
Midgett, Henry Albert
Monokian, Claire I.
Murphy, Michael
Ostertag, Michael John
Redmond, Joseph R.
Ramsaran, Eileen M.
Robert, Richard Allan
Schweitzer, Kenneth
Silver, Kenneth E.
Stabile, Domick J.
Strycki, Thomas E.
Voshell, Dana LeRoy

Division 10

Bertucci, James Joseph
Cribbs, Joshua Allen
Hughes, Sean M.
Poulos, Christopher J.
Saunders, Richard B., Sr.
Tolman, Ralph Walter

Division 11

Acompora, Sean
Bloomfield, Rosemary Rita
Byrd, Carolyn Adkinson

Division 11

Cable, James Treadwell, Jr.
Chengerian, Matthew
Ervin, Jeremy
Folsom, Dale Christopher
Hennings, Ronald
Korth, George
Krauza, Allen E.
Lipply, Robert George
Mater, Erica Renee
Mathes, Robert
McCullough, Jacob John
McCullough, Ralph Edward
Smith, Donald S.

Division 12

Budnick, Charles A.
DeWitt, James
Gomez, Gabriel
James, Terry Lynn, Jr.
Leimbach, Oliver G., Jr.
Rees, Kimberly A.
Owen, John Robert
Poole, James Andrew
Rhodes, Teresa A.
Roberts, James G., Jr
Vandevaarst, Robert

Division 13

Clark, Virginia Marie
Goodman, Phillip Lane
Kemner, Kevin William
Smith, Eric Maurice
Swezy, Richard C.

Division 14

Blount, Susan McGonigal
Connolly, Edward
Felguth, Charmaine H.
Folger, Michael D.
Foster, Charles III
Johnson, Robert
Kirsch, Richard

Division 14 Contd.

Kreger, Leonard A
Lewis, Penni Kay
Littlefield, Roland
Myers, Nikko A.
Sirvent, Jeffrey M.
Skinner, Toney Lee Jr.
Sullivan, Kevin K.
Swift, Bruce I.
Tingen, Mark

Division 15

Anderson, Lee
Carter, Charles Hertzell Sr.
Chin, Damian Benedict
Coffman, Richard Wayne
Collins, Steven H.
Conroy, Elizabeth
Denney, Gwendolyn Breaker
Fitzgerald, Michael G.
Hampton, Stephen
Hoff, Jeffrey
Holley, James Taylor, Jr.
Holley, Nancy C.
Hottinger, Debra Dawn
Howell, Ronald Elmo
Johnson, Debra A.
Larese, Timothy J.
Lewis, Tommy Gary Jr.
Methvin, Thomas
Moore, Betty Jo
Nixon, Alan Leroy
Nixon, Debra L.
Simpson, George III
Simpson, Shannon
Thompson, Stephen
Thompson, Tamara
Uribe, Frank Bruce
Uribe, Laura Dee
Webster, William E., Jr.
Yaklin, William

Division 16

Anger, Thomas Alan
Gibson, Hope Ann
Kliesch, Elizabeth Ann

2009 Retirees

Department of Homeland Security United States Coast Guard

Takes pleasure in conferring to:



<u>Member</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Service Years</u>
Raymond Greth	13	20
Charlies J. Hoeck	4	20
Nancy D. Patterson	13	16
Alfred Haleblan	8	17
Jeffrey Ace	2	15
Lawrence Feissner	9	15
Joseph O'Reilly	8	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.

2009

Division 3

George Cousins

Division 4

Paul Donohue

Monte Migdol

Division 5

Burrows Stevens

Earl Spangler

Division 7

Frank Nunziata

William A. Zimmerman

Division 8

Janet C. Cizmar (Retired)

William Dolan

Rubert B. Lowe (Retired)

Vent V. Verelle

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 bound-
less 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

2009

Division 9

Harry Kenworthy
Harry E. Krantz
Annette, Mollenhauer
Jerome Pletnick
Kenneth Renshaw

Division 10

James Oesterling

Division 11

Louis Reinhardt

Division 13

John Byrne
Dallas MacDonald

Division 14

Cecil Young

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Did You Know?



Look carefully at the B-17 and note how shot up it is - one engine dead, tail, horizontal stabilizer and nose shot up. It was ready to fall out of the sky. (This is a painting done by an artist from the description by both pilots many years later.) Then realize that there is a German ME-109 fighter flying next to it. Now read the story below. I think you'll be surprised....

Charlie Brown was a B-17 Flying Fortress pilot with the 379th Bomber Group at Kimbolton, England. His B-17 was called 'Ye Old Pub' and was in a terrible state, having been hit by flak and fighters. The compass was damaged and they were flying deeper over enemy territory instead of heading home to Kimbolton.

After flying the B-17 over an enemy airfield, a German pilot named Franz Steigler was ordered to take off and shoot down the B-17. When he got near the B-17, he could not believe



his eyes. In his words, he 'had never seen a plane in such a bad state'. The tail and rear section was severely damaged, and the tail gunner wounded. The top gunner was all over the top of the fuselage. The nose was smashed and there were holes everywhere.

Despite having ammunition, Franz flew to the side of the B-17 and looked at Charlie Brown, the pilot. Brown was scared and struggling to control his damaged and blood-stained plane.

Aware that they had no idea where they were going, Franz waved at Charlie to turn 180 degrees. Franz escorted and guided the stricken plane to, and slightly over, the North Sea towards England. He then saluted Charlie Brown and turned away, back to Europe. When Franz landed he told the CO that the plane had been shot down over the sea, and never told the truth to anybody. Charlie Brown and the remains of his crew told all at their briefing, but were ordered never to talk about it.

More than 40 years later, Charlie Brown wanted to find the Luftwaffe pilot who saved the crew. After years of research, Franz was found. He had never talked about the incident, not even at post-war reunions.



BF-109 pilot Franz Stiler

They met in the USA at a 379th Bomber Group reunion, together with 25 people who are alive now - all because Franz never fired his guns that day.

When asked why he didn't shoot them down, Stigler later said, I didn't have the heart to finish those brave men. I flew beside them for a long time. They were trying desperately to get home and I was going to let them do that. I could not have shot at them. It would have been the same as shooting at a man in a parachute.

Both men died in 2008.



(L-R) German Ace Franz Stigler, artist Ernie Boyett, and B-17 pilot Charlie Brown.

This is a true story <http://www.snopes.com/military/charliebrown.asp>



Trivia Questions

1. What does IKEA mean?
2. What sentence uses every letter of the alphabet?
3. What 3 words are the same whether they are read right to left or left to right (palindromes).
4. What is the only fish that can blink with both eyes?
5. How did “the rule of thumb” come to be?
6. What was the first novel written on a typewriter?
7. What are the only mobile National Monuments?
8. Why is boat speed measure in knots?
9. What is a “nautical camel.?”
10. What is a gnomon?
11. Does the Bermuda Triangle really exist?
12. How did “Yahoo” get it’s name?

See next page for answers!

Trivia Answers

1. The famous luxury goods maker IKEA was founded in 1943 by Ingvar Kamprad in Elmtaryd Agunnaryd (Swedish home furnishings retailer founder's initials and location)
2. The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.
3. Racecar—kayak — level
4. A shark
5. In the 1400's, a law was set forth in England that a man was allowed to beat his wife with a stick no thicker than his thumb. Hence we have "the rule of thumb."
6. Tom Sawyer
7. San Francisco Cable Cars are the only mobile National Monuments.
8. The custom of measuring a boat's speed in knots comes from the old method of throwing overboard a small plank attached to a line with regularly spaced knots tied into it. Speed could then be easily deduced by counting the number of knots that passed through one's hands in a given time.
9. A float used as a fender, sometimes called a "breasting float", OR a float used to raise sunken structures.
10. Any object the shadow of which serves as an indicator; as the shadow pin on a sun dial
11. The *Bermuda Triangle* or *Devil's Triangle* is a mythical geographic area located off the south eastern coast of the United States. It is noted for an apparent high incidence of unexplained losses of ship, small boats, and aircraft.

The Coast Guard does not recognize the existence of the so-called *Bermuda Triangle* as a geographic area of specific hazard to ships or planes. In a review of many aircraft and vessel losses in the area over the years, there has been nothing discovered that would indicate that casualties were the result of anything other than physical causes. No extraordinary factors have ever been identified.

12. The word was invented by Jonathan Swift and used in his book 'Gulliver's Travels.' It represents a person who is repulsive in appearance and action and is barely human. Yahoo! Founders Jerry Yang and David Filo selected the name because they considered themselves "yahoos."