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## Commander's Letter

Happy New Year everyone! Here's hoping the year 2008 brings something special your way—a new child/grandchild, a new car or a big tax refund. Here's hoping, too, that the new year brings a renewed enthusiasm to you regarding your involvement in the Coast Guard Auxiliary

in general and Flotilla 16-7 in particular. Whether this means seeking a new qualification or just increasing your attendance and participation in flotilla functions, it is hoped you discover a renewed vigor for the organization. We all know the adage—The amount of satisfaction one derives

from an activity is directly related to the involvement one puts into it. May 2008 be a "WIN-WIN" year for you!

Semper Paratus!

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# FEBRUARY 2008



SUNDAY      MONDAY      TUESDAY      WEDNESDAY      THURSDAY      FRIDAY      SATURDAY

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3	4	5 Division Meeting Sail Loft 1930	6 Flotilla Training Meeting Sail Loft 1930	7	8	9
10	11	12 Division 16 Radio Drill 1830 82A	13	14 VALENTINE'S DAY!	15	16
17	18 PRESIDENT'S DAY!	19	20 Flotilla Business Meeting Sail Loft 1930	21	22	23
24	25 D5NR Radio Drill 2000 82A	26	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

5NR Spring Conference	York, PA	28-30 MAR 08
Computer Class	TRACEN Cape May	12 APR 08 26 APR 08
NSBW		24 MAY—01 JUN 08
District Crew School	TRACEN Cape May	03 JUN—06 JUN 08



## AWARDS

Three members of Flotilla 16-7, Frank D. Maresca, Robert Daraio and Steven Daraio, received the RBS Device, each having achieved 120 eligible RBS points per year for two consecutive years. Congratulations to all three members.



*Left: Bob Witham awarded his 10th Sustained Service Award.*



*Right: Jack Witemeyer awarded 2007 PE Service Award.*



*Left: New members Barbara Werner and Michael Mortenson are sworn in by John M. Fisher, Jr. FC.*



*Right: John Fisher awarded 2007 PE Service Award.*



*2008 Flotilla 16-7 Staff Officers take the Oath of Office.*

*From left to right: Pat Witham, Bill Castagno, Dan Fuchs, Pete Hartten, Janet Malzone, Ron Coleman and Jerry San Antonio.*

**Photos by John M. Fisher, FC**

## Appointed Officers Training (AOT)

Ten members of Flotilla 16-7 attended AOT, held on 19 JAN 08, at the Southern Regional High School in Manahawkin, NJ. The agenda included guest speakers and break-out sessions with plenty of time for problem solving. Ron Coleman was the lead instructor for the PE breakout session and did an outstanding job.



Photos by John M. Fisher, Jr. FC

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### MATERIALS

Please do not stockpile penalty stamps. Those who have a supply of stamps that they are not using should give them to other members in need. The Coast Guard has paid for these stamps in the same manner as any individual would pay the Post Office for regular stamps. Unused Penalty Stamps are lost money for the Coast Guard. ANSC can adequately supply all orders; therefore, there is no need to maintain a multi-month supply. Also note: When sending a Post Card, we ask that you use a 23 cent stamp plus a 1 cent stamp to comply with the rate increase to 24 cents. The Penalty Stamp brochure explains how an envelope is to be addressed.

Should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need to place an order for stamps or envelopes, please email me at [Home2beach@aol.com](mailto:Home2beach@aol.com)

[Dan Fuchs, FSO-MA](#)

## Updated National Forms

The following forms have been updated in January 2008:

**ANSC 7001 Membership Application**

**ANSC 7030 Activity Report Mission** (Please make sure you have the latest form  
as some of the codes may have changed)

**ANSC 7005 Aircraft Offer for Use**

**ANSC 7038 Vessel Examinations**

You can be assured of using the latest forms by utilizing the electronic versions located on the National Forms website.

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## 5NR Spring Conference

The 5NR Spring 2008 Conference will be held on 28-30 March, 2008 at the Heritage Hills Golf Resort & Conference Center, 2700 Mt. Rose Avenue, York, Pa 17402. The overflow hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express at 140 Leader Heights Road in York, PA. Conference and hotel **Deadline is 25 FEB 08.** Registrations forms postmarked after the deadline date will be returned.

The Conference and Hotel Registration forms are now online and can be accessed on the Members Download page under 5NR Conference Forms.

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## Recruiting Strategic Plan For USCG District Five Auxiliary Regions

This Recruiting Strategic Plan for the Fifth Northern and Southern Auxiliary Regions reviews strengths, weaknesses, threats and opportunities; presents a series of statements relating to the Auxiliary's recruiting vision and mission; and sets out proposed goals and strategies.

The entire plan can be found on the 5th Northern website for your review.

## District Crew School

A District Crew School will be conducted at USCG Training Center, Cape May, NJ. The training is scheduled for 3-6 JUN 08. Applicants desiring to apply for the training should contact their Flotilla Commander. A maximum of 30 slots have been allocated, first come, first served. Not all applicants will be accepted due to the limited number of openings available. Applicants will be housed at TRACEN Cape May.

Applicants must have completed ICS courses 100 and 700 before making application for the training and have been credited with being Basically Qualified (BQ) in AUXDATA.

## ABC COURSE TEST OUT

The test out was held on 26 JAN 08 at the Brick Civic Center. Ron Coleman was the lead instructor. Ted Hall, Bill Castagno and John Fisher were also in attendance.



Photos by John M. Fisher, Jr. FC

# Flotilla 16-7

## Directory of Officers 2008

<u>Flotilla Commander (FC).....</u>	<u>John M. Fisher</u>	<u>732-714-1487</u>
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<u>FSO-MA (Materials).....</u>	<u>Dan Fuchs</u>	<u>732-292-3031</u>
<u>FSO-CM (Communications).....</u>	<u>Kevin Rooney</u>	<u>732-899-3269</u>
<u>FSO-MT (Member Training).....</u>	<u>Bill Castagno</u>	<u>732-477-7516</u>
<u>FSO-OP (Operations).....</u>	<u>John Ignozza</u>	<u>732-714-1090</u>
<u>FSO-PS (Personnel Services).....</u>	<u>Ron Coleman</u>	<u>732-295-4626</u>
<u>FSO-PA (Public Affairs).....</u>	<u>Gerard San Antonio</u>	<u>732-625-0283</u>
<u>FSO-PE (Public Education).....</u>	<u>Janet Malzone</u>	<u>732-806-6201</u>
<u>FSO-PB (Publications).....</u>	<u>Marjorie Ignozza</u>	<u>732-714-1090</u>
<u>FSO-VE (Vessel Examination).....</u>	<u>Pete Hartten</u>	<u>732-892-7017</u>
<u>FSO-SR (Secretary).....</u>	<u>Patricia Witham</u>	<u>732-449-7498</u>

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