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Commander's Letter

When we were children growing up, we all had visions of becoming cowboys or firemen, nurses or lawyers. How did we get to where we are today? Was it a teacher, coach, friend or relative who inspired us to enter our chosen professions? Did we merely develop an interest in a chosen field?

The same can be said of our involvement in the Auxiliary. What led us to become members of the Auxiliary? This writer was impressed with the friendly and helpful Auxiliarists who taught the Boating Skills and Seamanship course he attended many years ago. Going out on patrols seemed a cool thing to do. As my

involvement in the Auxiliary has grown, so too has my understanding that our missions extend much like the roots of a tree. They spread out to all areas of the recreational boating community—boaters, dealers, swimmers—through PE, PV, PA, VE, OPS, AN, and MS. And don't forget the AIM program where we seek to inform and recruit high school students to become members of the Coast Guard as officers.

So the next time you hear a comment about us as "fat, old men who cruise around on a Saturday", be prepared to respond how proud you are to be an Auxiliarist. As Gary Oliver, a member of 16-07, said to me:

"Remember that what you are doing in the USCG Auxiliary is a noble thing and a great way for people to serve our country. It is worthy of admiration and praise".

Semper Paratus!

John M. Fisher, Jr. FC



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16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Flotilla Business Meeting Sail Loft 1930	20 First Day Of Spring!	21	22
23 Easter !	24 D5NR Radio Drill 2000 82A	25	26	27	28 D5NR Spring Conference	29 Spring Conference
30 Spring Conference	31					

Important Dates to Remember

Computer Class	TRACEN Cape May	12 APR 08	26 APR 08
Division 16's 50th Anniversary Celebration		18 MAY 08	1730 (5:30pm)
Woodlake Country Club	Lakewood, NJ	(Invitations will be sent)	
NSBW		24 MAY—01 JUN 08	
District Crew School	TRACEN Cape May	03 JUN—06 JUN 08	



NEWS ITEM

February 17, 2008

DSO-MT: CPR, First Aid and Defibrillator Training

On Thursday, April 3, 2008 TRACEN, Cape May personnel have agreed to train 5NR personnel in CPR, First Aid and Defibrillator Training from 0800 to 1530. The first 20 members who apply will be accepted on this pass. If more than 20 apply, we will schedule another class until everyone, who desires the training, completes it.

This training is not mandatory and is only offered to you as a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary 5NR. A minimal charge of \$5.00 will be assessed which goes directly to the American Red Cross. I would recommend that your individual Flotillas pay for this training. Everyone who completes the training will be Certified and a card will be issued which has a three year duration.

If anyone living a distance from Cape May would like a room on the base overnight, prior to the training, let me know when you notify me of your intent to participate.

You may email Bruce Long DSO-MT at dcp08@comcast.net, with your intent.

MATERIALS

Many members have asked for information regarding “How to obtain and print out the latest FORMS” or “How to get CGAUX Letterhead” via the internet? These are very good questions because as of Jan 08 we have some FORMS that are now deemed obsolete and have been updated. Example: 7030, 7038, 7007 and (3) Aux Reimbursement Forms.

Rest assured the easiest way of doing this is to log onto the National Forms Website which is: <http://forms.cgaux.org/>. For the latest FORMS, click on the link “FORMS”. It will bring you to all of the available Forms of your choice. If you are looking for Auxiliary letterhead, click on the link “MISSCELLANIOUS DOCUMENTS”. Scroll down to “Letterhead” and click. You can then print out a copy.

As always, if you need assistance because you may not have access to a computer, I can be reached at 732-292-3031. For those that do have access to a computer I can be reached at home2beach@aol.com

Dan Fuchs, FSO-MA

5NR DISTRICT STORE CLOSED

The 5NR District Store as we know it has closed. All Auxiliarists are allowed to order from the new district store: shopauxiliary.com. The online store only takes credit cards.

The site can be accessed from the National Web Site. Click on shop auxiliary and then on District Materials Stores. You will need your EMPLID # and the password that you use for the e Directory. If you have never been on the e Directory site, you will have to log on and create a password there first. Following is the address for the new District Store if you do not have access to a computer:

9449 Watson Industrial Park
St. Louis, MO 63126
314-962-8828

Dan Fuchs, FSO-MA

OPERATIONS

The 2008 Operations Workshop is mandatory for all Coxswains. It will be held on 03 MAY 08 at 0900, at Station Manasquan. The current and New Station Commander and a NJ State Police representative will be present. The patrol season is 15 MAY through 15 OCT 08.

You will need a receipt for patrol expenses if gas, oil and ice exceeds \$75.00. You are also required to have on board the current Light List for our AOR, the Coast Pilot #3, Chart 1, and the latest version of Chart 12324.

There are 17 new Private ATONS in Shark River which are now our responsibility.

Please inspect your inflatable PFD's for the correct inflation bobbin. Red-AUG 2002/Yellow is current. They have a 4 year shelf life. Manufacturer recommends replacement every 3 years.

Please note: There is an updated 7030 form for 2008. The latest version can be found on the National Web Site, under FORMS.

John L. Ignozza

FSO-OP

16-7 5NR

The United States Coast Guard Band

CDR Kenneth W. Megan, Director

CWO2 Richard E. Wyman, Assistant Director

On Friday, 01 FEB 08, Flotilla 16-7 members, John and Marjorie Ignozza and Harry and Brenda Moscatiello had the opportunity to attend a concert performance of the US Coast Guard Band. The concert was held at the Sebastian River High School Performing Arts Center, in Sebastian, FL. The USCG Band was organized in March 1925. The USCG Academy in New London, CT serves as the Band's at-home venue. The Band tours regularly throughout the United States and overseas and has an international reputation as one of the finest professional concert bands in the world. It offers a great variety of music in its concerts.

We thoroughly enjoyed the concert, it was both awesome and moving. Musician 1st Class Lisa Williamson, soprano, performed with the Band and her voice was amazing and beautiful. I would recommend that if you ever have the chance to attend a USCG Band concert that you don't pass it up! You can visit their website at: www.uscg.mil/band for more information and their performance schedule.

Marjorie Ignozza, FSO-PB



MU1 Lisa Williamson, soprano.

Photos by H. Moscatiello

CHINESE NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

Flotilla 16-7 members Chris and Janet Malzone hosted a Chinese New Year's Celebration at their home. All members were invited to enjoy food and fellowship. It was a wonderful time and our thanks to Janet and Chris for hosting this party.



From left to right: Ginny Castagno, Lisa Hall, Pat Fisher, Bill Castagno and Dennis Georgia.



Ted Hall (center) explains the workings of the camera to Dennis Georgia (left) and Chris Malzone (right)

Photos by John M. Fisher, Jr.

Flotilla 16-7 Business Meeting, 20 FEB 08

Glenn Delmonico took the oath of office as FSO-PV. Glenn also received his 5 year Auxiliary Service Award.



Photos by
Ron Coleman



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I am presently not including the business meeting minutes in the newsletter. As we now live in the "electronic age", every member is receiving a complete copy of the meeting minutes each month via email. I will continue to include highlights from the meeting, such as awards, training, and speakers, etc. I feel that it is redundant to include the minutes when everyone has already received them.

Marjorie Ignozza, FSO-PB

FLOTILLA 16-7 TRAINING MEETING, 06 FEB 08

CPR/AED

CPR/AED training was conducted at the Point Pleasant Beach First Aid Squad building and was open to all flotilla members in Division 16. Flo Melo (16-10) and her assistant Tom Connelly (16-10) conducted the class. Students passing the class will receive a certification card, which is valid for three years. (Photos by Bill Castagno)



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-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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