



FLOTILLA HISTORY

THE HISTORY DIVISION OF **PUBLIC AFFAIRS** DIRECTORATE

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

History of Flotilla 06 South Windsor, CT

A visual History of year 2013

FC: Tony Camilleri

VFC: Bob Carlson-January transferred to Gary Magoon beginning March

Highlights:

January

- Boat Show-Hartford Convention Center

February

- Hunting and Fishing Show-Hartford Convention Center
- Division Awards Dinner

April

- Boating Safety Class at Goodwin College

May

- 40 Years of Service
- Academy Commencement

May, June

- VE Days at Between the Bridges and Boats Inc.
- COW at Station New London
- World Ocean's Day

July

- Sailfest New London

September

- Stand Down, Rocky Hill VA Hospital

October

- Alumni Week at the Academy
- Medallion Ceremony

November

- Veteran's Day Parade, Downtown Hartford, CT

2013 began with Tony Camilleri as our Flotilla Commander and Bob Carlson as our Vice Flotilla Commander (VFC). Gary Magoon took over as VFC in March. Highlights of 2013 include: the Hartford Boat Show, Hunting and Fishing Show in Hartford, boating safety class at Goodwin College and Commencement at the Academy featuring Vice President Joe Biden. Also later that year parents weekend and homecoming weekend with the Medallion ceremony and Commandant of the Coast Guard, Adm. Robert J. Papp Jr. presenting a medallion to every member of the graduating class of 1963.

We ended the year at the very popular Veterans Day Parade in downtown Hartford. Several members of our flotilla participated in the parade.



Hartford Boat Show



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary at the CMTA Hartford Boat Show

HARTFORD, Connecticut –January 12, 2013 – The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will be in attendance at the **CMTA Hartford Boat Show**, which runs Friday January 25-Sunday January 27 at the Connecticut Convention Center. Members of the Auxiliary will be on duty in the lobby of the main entrance to meet the public to discuss boating safety, educational programs, vessel exams and the benefits of joining the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

This year for the first time, the Auxiliary are offering About Boating Safely (ABS) classes at Goodwin College in East Hartford, CT and USCG Academy in New London, CT. The beginner boating class can be used to get a safe Boating Certificate, which anyone 16 or older must obtain to legally operate any size boat with a motor in Connecticut waters. Visit the booth for more information and to get an enrollment packet.

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is the civilian, uniformed volunteer component of the United States Coast Guard. The Auxiliary was founded in 1939 by an Act of Congress as the US Coast Guard Reserves and re-designated the Auxiliary in 1941. The 30,000 volunteer members (men and women) donate millions of hours in support of Coast Guard missions, such as Search & Rescue, Public Education, Marine Environmental Protection and Maritime Domain Awareness.

For additional information or information on joining the Auxiliary, please contact Robert Carlson, Public Affairs Officer at: uscgaux2506@att.net or visit the Auxiliary website at: <http://join.cgaux.org>.



2013 Hunting and Fishing Show at the Hartford Convention Center,



Ready for Action



Remie, mascot of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, takes five while on duty at the **2013 Hunting and Fishing Show at the Hartford Convention Center, Sunday, February 16**. Remie, a seven year old Sheltie, and his owner just finished several laps around the convention center. The Coast Guard Auxiliary was in attendance at the show to meet and greet attendees and promote boating safety and the importance of always wearing a life jacket.

USCG Auxiliarists Kristina Carlson of Middletown, Connecticut pointed out the importance of pets wearing a life jacket as Remie, quietly stood by showing off his life jacket. Kristina demonstrated how the strap on the top of the jacket allows her to easily pick up her dog should he go overboard. Dog life jackets keep pets safe on the water. They provide ultimate buoyancy and high visibility. Several sizes and styles of dog life jackets are available for small to large breeds.

Kris and Remie do a lot of boating during the warmer months. "He always wears his jacket when we are on the water even though he is a great swimmer!" Kris said.

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VE Day May 2013, at Between the Bridges Old Saybrook



Ed Pratt and Eileen Christensen finalize their vessel exams as the boat owners look on.

VE Day, June 2013 at Boat Inc.



Bob Carlson completed an inspection of an owner's vessel at Boats Inc. Niantic, CT.



Boating Classes at Rockville High School



David Marriott grades the final exams for the students at Goodwin College. David presented a one-day class in the spring at Goodwin College in East Hartford Connecticut.

Below is the press release announcing the class.

Sharpen Your Boating Skills With a Boating Safety Course from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary



Goodwin College and the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary are continuing to offer classes in *About Boating Safely* in April and May. This 8-hour-long, beginner boating class can be used to obtain a Connecticut Safe Boating Certificate, which anyone 16 or older must obtain to legally operate any size boat with a motor in Connecticut waters.

The one-day classes will take place on Saturdays at Goodwin College, Room 311, Main Building, 1 Riverside Drive, East Hartford. Classes will run 8 am to 5 pm on April 27 and May 25, 2013.

Course textbooks will be provided. Students should bring a lunch, pencil

and pen. Those who successfully finish will receive a U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Certificate of Completion.

The cost is \$75 for individuals, \$65 for each additional family member taking the class at the same time and \$45 for students and faculty of Goodwin College with identification.

Topics include: Introduction to Boating; Boating Law; Boat Safety Equipment; Safe Boating; Navigation Boating Problems; Trailing, Storing and Protecting Your Boat; navigating rivers and other boating tips.

Pre-registration is required. Please call 860-537-5222 or email: uscgaux921@gmail.com. For more information.

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U.S. Coast Guard photo by Chief Petty Officer Alan Haraf
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Division Change of Watch April, 2013

Division 25 held their annual Change of Watch at the USCG Academy Officers Club April 6, 2013.

Member and invited guest gather to celebrate the time-honored tradition of swearing in the new leadership team and thanking the outgoing team.





Bill Bowen delivers the Invocation



Bowen honoring our shipmates who have crossed the bar.



Division 25 Leadership team gathers to take the Oath. Prologue by George White (at podium) and Administered by Chief Warrant Officer David McCarthy (far right).



(L to R) Outgoing FC for 06 Bob Carlson with Capt. Vojvodich, and current FC 06 Tony Camilleri



Station New London holds change of command ceremony.

U.S. Coast Guard Station New London held a change of command ceremony June 17, 2013 . Lt. Dan Tavernier assumed responsibility as commanding officer of the Station from Lt. Todd E. Hartfiel. Capt. Joseph M. Vojvodich, Commander, Sector Long Island Sound, presided over the ceremony.

In attendance were representatives of local fire, police, State of CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and invited guests. The Auxiliary provided front gate security freeing up base personnel to attend the ceremony.



Auxiliarists (l to r) Mike Saxton, Roger Rosella, Geoff Conklin and Steve Chapados stand watch at the front gate throughout the ceremony.



Lt. Hartfiel (left) and Lt. Tavernier (right) exchanged salutes with each other as Capt. Vojvodich oversees the change of command ceremony. Tavernier previously served as the chief of readiness and assessments at the Coast Guard's Deployable Operations Group in Arlington, Va.



Capt. Vojvodich presents Lt. Hartfiel with the Coast Guard Commendation Medal. Hartfiel will next serve as the command center watch stander and support coordinator at the U.S. Fleet Forces/Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Va.

Station New London is responsible for a 360-square-mile area and 75 miles of rivers. Along with providing security to naval vessels, the station coordinates massive public events with local governments, helps ensure civilian and commercial vessels are safe and provides security for critical local infrastructure, including Electric Boat, the Naval Submarine Base and the Gold Star Memorial Bridge.

The change of command ceremony is a time-honored tradition that formally restates the continuity of command - the transfer of total responsibility and authority from one individual to another. The ceremony affords personnel of the command, guests and the community at large to recognize the achievements and service of the commanding officer, while at the same time welcoming aboard the prospective commanding officer.



Commencement at the Academy-May 2013



Auxiliarist in attendance at 132nd Commencement

Auxiliarists from Divisions 7, 24 and 25 were out in force at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy's 132nd commencement exercises Wednesday, May 22, 2013. This year the weather cooperated and commencement was held outside on Cadet Memorial Field.

Auxiliarists were on hand to provide transportation services to visitors, attend to visitor's special needs, provide directions and assist in public affairs. Vice President Joe Biden was the commencement speaker, and security was tight as usual. Auxiliarists driving golf carts had to endure repeated inspections as they shuttled their guests to the commencement field.

The Vice President told more than 200 new Coast Guard officers, "This is not your father's Coast Guard." The 227 graduates of the class of 2013 included 66 women as well as four international students. The new ensigns accepted their diplomas from Rear Admiral Sandra L. Stosz, Superintendent of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and their commissions either from The Vice President or from a relative in military service. Adm. Robert J. Papp Jr., the Coast Guard commandant, welcomed the new ensigns and delegated the administration of the oath of office to Rear Adm. Kevin Cook, the 8th District commander.

At the end of the 2½-hour ceremony, the graduates tossed their cadet hats and shoulder boards high into the air. This is a military tradition for each cadet to divest themselves of all symbols of cadet life.



Adm. Robert J. Papp Jr., the Coast Guard commandant, enters the dais prior to the start of graduation ceremonies.



Vice President Joe Biden passes the line of cadets as he enters the dais prior to the start of graduation ceremonies.



The Vice President addresses the 2013 graduates. "The American people are in awe of what you do."



Auxiliarists Marie Miltenberger, 03, (right) assists a visitor on the commencement field prior to the graduation exercises.



Auxiliarists Eileen Christensen, 06, stops to greet an Army Colonel after dropping off her group on the commencement field.



David Marriott, 06, heads back to the parking lot to pick up additional visitors. Marriott was part of a team of Auxiliarists escorting visitors to the commencement field.

Cadets take the oath of office as administered by Rear Adm. Kevin Cook, the 8th District commander.



Newly commissioned ensigns toss their hats and shoulder boards in the air as they divest themselves of all symbols of cadet life. A long standing tradition is maintained as children run out to collect the hats and shoulder boards.



Vice Presidential Secret Service Staff member maintains a watchful eye throughout the ceremony- never leaving his post. *Editor comment. As I was standing next to the riser for the media, we were instructed not to approach the stage when the Vice President arrived. I inadvertently moved toward the Vice President to get a better angle. Oops! I was pulled back by the secret service ...but I did get the shot -see above-and this very nice agent never left my side throughout the event. Bob Carlson*



Ensign covers and shoulder boards arranged in alphabetical order for pick up by the newly commissioned officers.



World Ocean's Day at Mystic Aquarium

Make a splash during Mystic Aquarium's World Ocean's Day celebration (June 2013) where our mission is to protect and care for our ocean planet every day. Join us in learning how to keep our oceans thriving through fun, hands-on activities, scavenger hunts and more. Learn about sustainable seafood, marine debris and amazing ocean facts. On watch from 06 is Kristina Carlson (second from left and Bob Carlson (the bear).



Sailfest July, 2013

Sailfest 2013 kicked off in New London Connecticut. About 300,000 people attended the three-day festival which features rides, games, tons of food, and of course, boats. Three tall ships and two America's Cup boats will be part of the show along with the U.S Navy and Coast Guard. And on Saturday night there is a big fireworks extravaganza. The Auxiliary is on hand to stand watch at an information booth -greeting attendees and promoting boating safety and other programs offered through the auxiliary.



Division 25 – September, 2013 monthly meeting and 40 years of service celebration.



Division 25 Secretary Richard Pummell, capturing all that was said.



Bill Bowen-DVCR (far left) and David Marriott- DCDR (second from the left) look on as Captain Ed Cubanski, Sector Commander Long Island Sound reads the *Presentation of 40 years of Service* to Vinnie Yannone (3rd from the left) and Sirgen Orzech (far right) during the monthly Division meeting, September 4, 2013. Also in attendance for this special occasion were LT Dan Tavernier, Commander Station New London and Operations Training Officer, (OTO) David McCarthy.



Left-Captain Ed Cubanski congratulates Sirgen Orzech for 40 year of service in the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

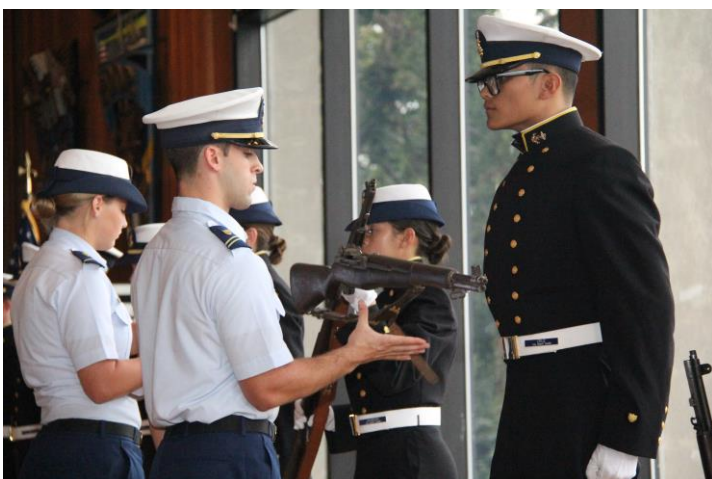


Captain Ed Cubanski congratulates Vincent Yannone for 40 year of service in the Coast Guard Auxiliary.



Parents Fall Weekend at the Academy

Every year the Alumni Association holds a special parent weekend. The weekend is full of events, tours and presentations. One of the highlights of the weekend is the inspection demonstration and team competition.





Veterans Stand Down. Rocky Hill, CT September 2013

Every year the The State of Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) continues their commitment to serving Connecticut's Veterans, Active Duty, National Guard and Reserve military personnel, and their immediate families by providing this "one stop" access to a range of programs and services offered by state and federal agencies, Veterans organizations, and community-based non-profits at these regional sites across the State.

Auxiliarists help out at this year's Stand Down. (Press release)

Eight Coast Guard Auxiliarists were on location at the Veteran's "Stand Down" at the State Veterans Home Campus in Rocky Hill, Conn. September 20, 2013. David Marriott, Eileen Christensen. Bob Carlson (06) Bill Bowen, Marty Loughlin, Bill Munson, Bill Hancock, Mike Headd, and Bruce Buckley were on duty to help with parking, directions, information, serve lunch, clean up and take a few photos.

The Connecticut Department of Veterans' Affairs in Rocky Hill had more than 1,000 veterans attend this year's Stand Down. More than 70 federal and state agencies, as well as local businesses and corporations, provided free services, assistance and information on topics such as employment, health care, social services and legal services-all at one location.



Marty Loughlin directs cars at the Veteran's parking lot with the precision of an air traffic controller.



Eileen Christensen assists a veteran with a map of services as Bill Bowen looks on. Eileen stood watch at the information booth and Bill served as a roving information booth, helping veterans navigate through the many services available.



With almost 1000 lunches served, Auxiliarists stand ready to assist in the dining hall.



Mike Headd helps to keep the food line moving



Homecoming at the Coast Guard Academy

Homecoming brings Academy alumni and families back to campus each fall for an opportunity to relax, reminisce and reconnect. Filled with a wide range of activities and sports events, Homecoming is the time to "link the chain" of classes to celebrate the Academy's legacy of esprit de corps and success.

The auxiliary supports the Alumni Association by photographing the events. One in particular is the Medallion Ceremony. This special event invites the class of 1963 (50 years ago as the Commandant of the Coast Guard, Adm. Robert J. Papp Jr.), presents each graduate with a special medallion. After the presentations, the class gathers on the bleachers for a "class photo".





Veterans Day Parade



Auxiliary steps off at this year's Connecticut Veterans Day Parade.

The Auxiliary was out in full force at the 13th annual Connecticut Veterans Parade in Hartford, Connecticut, November 3, 2013. With almost 3,000 marchers, the Connecticut Veterans Parade is the largest veteran's parade in all of New England and one of the biggest in the nation.

Coast Guard Academy Color Guard and the Auxiliary from First Southern Divisions 24 and 25 marched the 1.7 mile parade route through downtown Hartford. Kris Carlson, 25-06, brought her dog Remmi, as the mascot of flotilla 06, South Windsor and Rob Barba, 24-11 brought up his PWC.

Completing Team Coast Guard was Rob Barba, 24-11, Bruce Buckley, 25-0 , Troy Clark, 25-03, David Obedzinski, 25-04, Robert Harris, 24-04, David Marriott, 25-06, Bill Bowen, 25-03 Richard Pummell, 25-06, and John McLeod, 24-01, Kim Fillion, 24-01, and Bob Carlson, 25-06.



David Marriott, 25-06, takes a moment to watch the cadets organize the flags before stepping off.



Bill Bowen, 25-03 assists in unfurling the Auxiliary flag prior to stepping off.



Academy Color Guard included all 3rd class cadets: Micaela Crabtree, Ryan Ostrander, Kent Altobelli, James Boyce, Abigail Isaacs, Karisa Maurer, Carly Campbell, Daniel Beacon and Emily Quallen.



Kristina Carlson, 25-06, waits for the parade to continue with Remmi, flotilla 06 mascot.



Team Coast Guard passing the State of Connecticut Capitol Building.



Team Coast Guard heading down Main Street toward the review podium.

