

# U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

**FLOTILLA 3-10**

**Callao, Virginia**



**Division 3, 5th Southern**

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## Boating Safety

### Bridge Talk

July/ August 2019

Shipmates,  
Once in a while we all receive memorable, unexpected, and meaningful notes. Below is such a note from Ed Gray, Division Vice Commander (VCDR) following last week's Division Meeting at Nino's Pizza Restaurant, Callao, Virginia, hosted by our flotilla. It shows the impression we can leave on not only our own members but on others that observe us and what we do.

"After the PE class at the church yesterday Brenda (my wife) and I went to Nino's for dinner. We were sitting there when the owner's wife came to the table and showed us a Sea Scout whistle that someone left. She

said "someone left this and if the cooks aren't working fast enough, I blow it as a warning." She walked off blowing the whistle." Take note and please patronize those who help us perform our duties.



Respectfully, Andris Baltins, FC

# Trash in our Waterways



I watched the movie “Aquaman” recently and found it interesting that the humanoid like creatures under the sea rebelled and threw all of the trash we had dumped into the water back onto dry land. Wouldn’t it be nice to be able to clean up our mess that quickly. One of the Coast Guard’s duties is Marine Environmental Safety and Protection. Having studied environmental science, keeping our water and earth clean is one of my personal goals. I hope that all of you when boating stow all your water

bottles, etc. before you take off and then also secure everything when towing your boat home. Let’s try to keep our earth a little cleaner. The dolphins will thank us.



Submitted by Linda Steele; Picture by Joe Riley



Each August 4 the U.S. Coast Guard celebrates its birthday.

The Coast Guard is one of America's five armed forces and traces its founding to Aug. 4, 1790, when the first Congress authorized the construction of 10 vessels to enforce tariff and trade laws, prevent smuggling, and protect the collection of federal revenue. Responsibilities added over the years included humanitarian duties such as aiding mariners in distress.

The service received its present name in 1915 when the Revenue Cutter Service merged with the U.S. Life-Saving Service to form a single maritime service dedicated to the safety of life at sea and enforcing the nation's maritime laws. The U. S. Coast Guard is a multi-mission, maritime, military service and the smallest of the five armed services. Its mission is to protect the public, the environment and U.S. economic interests in the nation's waterways, along the coast, on international waters, or in any maritime region as required to support national security.

Courtesy of Military.com







The American flag and blue ensign picture: Auxiliarists are encouraged to fly the "Blue Ensign" proudly whenever the Stars and Stripes are flying on a boat or on the member's residential flag pole.



The American Flag and Patrol Flag picture: The CG Auxiliary Patrol Flag may be flown with the Stars and Stripes when the member is on patrol under orders. It is flown on the patrol boat but may also be flown on the member's residential flag pole.

Submitted by Joe Riley

## **Mr. Salvatore J. Puglisi receives Auxiliary Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon Bar**

I note with pride and am pleased to commend you for your performance of duty while serving as Flotilla.3-10, Callao, Virginia, Program Visitor, from January 2018 to December 2018. Exercising inspirational leadership and tenacity, you astutely identified the need to help better inform the general public on boating safety. Specifically, through your outreach initiative with local marine dealers, you raised awareness of boating safety and helped educate the public on State and Federal boating regulations, pollution prevention, environmental protection, and America's Waterway watch program. Demonstrating exceptional commitment and enthusiasm, you tirelessly traveled the backroads of North Carolina, amassing thousands of miles, to promote boating safety. Throughout your tenure, you singlehandedly conducted 282 program visits, far exceeding the national average per member. Your efforts helped ensure the public had ready access to information, while increasing the overall impact of the Coast Guard's safe boating message throughout the area. Finally, in addition to your duties as a program visitor, you selflessly volunteered over 381 hours in support of Auxiliary Public Education and Recreational Boating Safety, in addition to performing over 167 vessel Safety checks.

You are commended for your outstanding performance of duty. By your meritorious service you have upheld the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.

You are hereby authorized to wear the Auxiliary Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon Bar.

Eric S. May  
Commander, U.S. Coast Guard  
Director of Auxiliary  
Fifth Coast Guard District, Southern  
Region



# Logistics Staff Training

## LOGISTICS Staff Training

**HR STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for HR Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the HR office.

**IS STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for IS Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the IS office.

**PB STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for PB Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the PB office.

**CS STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for CS Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the CS office.

**MA STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for MA Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the MA office.

**DV STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for DV Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the DV office.

## FN AND SR Staff Officer Training

**FN STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for FN Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the FN office.

**SR STAFF OFFICER TRAINING:** Specific training for SR Staff Officers at all levels to provide a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the SR office.





If you're gonna swim... **SWIM**  
If you're gonna boat... **BOAT**  
If you're gonna get drunk...  
**STAY HOME**



## FLOTILLA 3-10 CALENDAR

### **August 2019**

30 – FS70 August Reports and Calendar additions due

### **September 2019**

10 – Radio Drill, Time TBD

27-29 D-Train, Baltimore, MD

16 – Flotilla Meeting – Snacks, Sal Puglisi

30 - FSO September Reports and Calendar additions due

### **October 2019**

5/6- Leonardtown Boat Races

19 – Division Meeting, Kilmarnock, Division Bridge Election

21 - Flotilla meeting –Snacks, TBD

30 - FSO October Reports and Calendar additions due

### **November 2019**

TBD – Fall State Instructor Workshops

18- Flotilla meeting – Flotilla Election – Snacks, Dave Brack

30 - FSO November Reports and Calendar additions due

### **December**

7 - Division 3 COW

10 – Radio Drill, Time TBD

12 – Flotilla COW Dinner (date is tentative)

30 - FSO December Reports and 2020 Calendar additions due





**District 5 Southern Region Flotilla 3-10  
Elected and Appointed Officers 2019**

Flotilla Commander . . . . .	Andris Baltins
Flotilla Vice Commander . . . . .	Thomas Panther
Communications . . . . .	Donald Chamberlain
Communications Services . . . . .	Karen M. Whelan
Finance . . . . .	Oliver M. Knight
Human Resources . . . . .	G. Edward Gray, Jr.
Information Services . . . . .	John F. O'Neil
Materials . . . . .	Glen R. Thomason
Member Training . . . . .	Joseph C. Riley
Navigation Systems . . . . .	Charles B. Thomas
Operations . . . . .	Charles B. Thomas
Public Affairs . . . . .	G. Edward Gray, Jr.
Publications . . . . .	Linda K. Steele
Public Education . . . . .	Frederick E. Woodard
RBS Program Visitor . . . . .	Philip K. Landry
Secretary/Records . . . . .	Thomas M. Panther
Vessel Examinations . . . . .	David J. Brack

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**Reminder to all Flotilla members and visitors**

**Flotilla 3-10 regular meetings are on the third Monday of each month at Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Callao, Virginia. Fellowship starts at 1900 with the meeting at 1930. New members or those interested in joining are welcomed to attend.**

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR ARTICLES &  
PHOTOS OF AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES  
AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO:

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[www.Flotilla3-10.org](http://www.Flotilla3-10.org)