

U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

FLOTILLA 3-10

Callao, Virginia



Division 3, 5th Southern

Thomas Panther, past FC

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Bridge Talk

**December 21/ January
22**

Hello 3-10 Shipmates:

Well, here we are at the end of 2021 and the end of my two years as your Flotilla Commander.

While 2022, especially considering the progressions of Covid, will still be presenting the flotilla some operational challenges, the good news is two-pronged.

First, 3-10 has met the challenge of Covid as best as we could during the last two years. We DID accomplish a lot the past two years, despite various challenges and the appropriate USCG scaling back of volunteer activities.

And, secondly, we have wisely chosen an effective Bridge to lead us into the new year.

Gary and Lee are motivated and equipped to lead us into the future, regardless of what that future will look like.

Again, if we can continue the spirit of teamwork, cooperatively setting reasonable goals and accomplishing them, 3-10 will continue to see success.

All of us proved we can pitch in and move forward and I implore each of us to continue that fine tradition.

On a personal note, here is wishing you and your loved ones a healthy and successful 2022.

Happy New Year.

Respectfully,

Thomas Panther, past FC

Andris Baltins Retirement from Flotilla 3-10



Archive Picture

Flotilla 3-10 presented an overdue certificate of retirement to Andy Baltins at the Change of Watch in December 2021. Andy had been a past Flotilla Commander. Fair winds and following seas, Andy.

Submitted by Linda Steele

Change of Watch (COW) Dinner a great success

The Change of Watch dinner for Flotilla 3-10 was held December 13th, 2021. Flotilla members and guests were treated to a buffet dinner at Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Callao, Virginia. It was a good time of fellowship with great food.



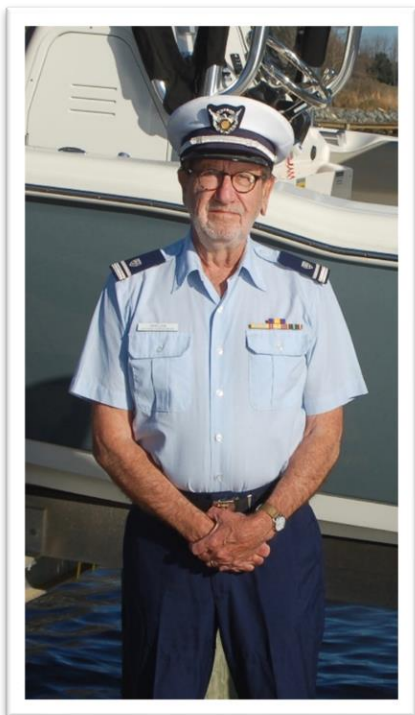
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The Flotilla presented Tom Panther, our out-going FC, with a ships bell.

New Bridge for Flotilla 3-10



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Flotilla 3-10, Callao, Virginia, of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary installed their 2022 Bridge at their annual Change of Watch Banquet in December. The leadership for 2022 is Gary M. Whelan, Flotilla Commander and R. Lee Farmer, Flotilla Vice Commander.

Submitted by Linda Steele

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Thank You note from Marguerite Spear

Coast Guard Flotilla 3-10,

Thank you for making my 100th birthday so special. I appreciate that Flotilla 3-10 took time out of their busy Saturday to give me a wonderful parade, song, certificate and Challenge coin. Everyone was so nice and being so punctual was an amazing feat. You made my 100th birthday extra special.

A special thank you to Tom Panther and Linda Steele for organizing everything.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Spear and Nancy Kittrell

Submitted by Linda Steele



Obituary for Joyce Anne Shelton



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Joyce Anne Shelton (nee Dorsett), 82, of Heathsville, VA and Franklin, TN passed away Thursday, October 7, 2021 after a valiant battle with acute myeloid leukemia.

Joyce was born April 18, 1939 in Belmont, NC. She spent her early years in Belmont and Greensboro, NC and Silver Spring, Maryland. In 1962, she graduated from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in accounting. She received her CPA license shortly thereafter. In 1962, Joyce became a management intern at the U.S. Department of Treasury and thus began a storied government career that spanned several decades. In 1969, she was named Director of Central Accounting Operations, until 1980 when she accepted a position as the Regional Accounting Director for the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Kansas City. In July of 1984, she returned to Washington D.C. after being named Director of the Office of Financial Management for the U.S. Department of Transportation. She held this executive civil service position, the highest position attainable without political appointment, until her retirement in May of 1994.

After her retirement, Joyce made Bay Quarter Shores in Heathsville, VA her home. She was a woman of deep faith and an active member of the congregation at Smithland Church. Some of her closest friends were members of her church community. She was also a supporter and member of many groups including the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Northumberland County Rescue Squad, the Red Hat Society, Northumberland Women's Club and numerous animal rescue groups.

In her personal life, Joyce was an avid traveler and was always on the go. She traveled across the U.S. and Europe, often with family and friends in tow for lively conversations and great adventures. If she was traveling by car, her travel companions were almost always her beloved dogs. Her four-legged companions over the years included Nike, Nike Boy, Scooter, Star, Barnie, and most recently Opie and Rudy.

Her smile, enthusiasm and love of family and friends will be truly missed.

FLOTILLA 3-10 CALENDAR

January 2022

17 – Flotilla Meeting – Virtual

28 – FSO February Reports and Calendar additions due

February 2022

21 – Flotilla Meeting – Snacks, TBD

28 – FSO February Reports and Calendar additions due

March 2022

21- Flotilla meeting – St. Patrick’s Pot luck dinner ***1730 hrs,

31 – FSO March Reports and Calendar additions due

April 2022

1 – Winter Dress Uniform back in the closet- Now in Tropical Blue

18 - Flotilla Meeting – Snacks, TBD

30 – FSO April Reports and Calendar additions due

May 2022

TBD – Division Meeting – Location TBD

16 - Flotilla meeting – Snacks, TBD

31 – FSO May Reports and Calendar additions due

June 2022

20 - Flotilla meeting – Snacks, TBD

30 – FSO May Reports and Calendar additions due

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- District 5 Southern Region Flotilla 3-10
Elected and Appointed Officers 2022**
- Flotilla Commander Gary M. Whelan
 - Flotilla Vice Commander R. Lee Farmer
 - Communications Vacant
 - Communications Services Karen M. Whelan
 - Finance Joseph C. Riley
 - Human Resources Salvatore J. Puglisi
 - Information Services John F. O'Neil
 - Materials Linda K. Steele
 - Member Training Joseph C. Riley
 - Navigation Systems Charles B. Thomas
 - Operations Charles B. Thomas
 - Public Affairs Thomas M. Panther
 - Publications Vacant
 - Public Education Frederick E. Woodard
 - RBS Program Visitor Vacant
 - 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