## BOATING SAFETY ADVOCATE Newsletter



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# A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO EACH MILITARY VETERAN IN FLOTILLA 3-10 AND ALL ACROSS AMERICA

This cover poster was created as a school project honoring America's Veteran's Day by 12 year old Kaden Beckum, granddaughter of the Advocate Newsletter editor Erik Amato.

**HONOR • RESPECT • GRATITUDE** 

We do not know them all, but we owe them all

Thank you for bravely doing what you are called to do so that we can safely do what we are free to do

#### BRIDGE TALK



Ed Gray Flotilla Commander 3-10

n November 20th we elected two outstanding members to lead us during 2018 and beyond. Andy Baltins stepped forward and I am fully confident he will do an outstanding job. Andy has 10 years as an auxiliary member and

comes from a stellar career in the food industry. He has worn different "hats" both with Flotilla 3-10 and his old flotilla in Maryland. Andy is prepared and he is determined to do a good job. He will have a learning curve but we all do when we start something new. I am sure he will hit the ground running and we will be proud of the job he does representing us to the local boating public, Division 3 and the Fifth District SR.

During the same flotilla election meeting Gary Palsgrove stepped up in the way a true leader does, and will be the Flotilla Vice Commander for 2018. The job needed to be done and he said "I will do it." As always, Gary sets an example we should all try to replicate. Gary recruits, Gary mentors, Gary offers his facility, and Gary teaches, Gary volunteers wherever there is a need. In short, if there is a job to be done Gary is always involved in some way to make it happen. With Gary's extensive Auxiliary background, will mentor Andy this year and both will do an outstanding job. My thanks to both of you for "stepping up". I stand a little taller in your presence.

#### **ON ANOTHER NOTE!**

Bridge elections are always an important date on our flotilla calendar and this year was no different. Unless you have been "hands on" involved you do not know the behind the scenes work that is required to to get things done. Finding candidates for all positions seems to always be a problem and I don't understand why.

All of us come from some sort of leadership position in our "other" lives. None of us are afraid to speak in public or be involved in the community or to do a job that needs to be done, but still we struggle to have individuals step up and take on the jobs that need to be done.

I am pleased that we always manage to fill the leadership roster and we always get good people to fill the positions, but why is it so difficult? I often wonder what it would be like to have 2 candidates wanting to be the FC or VFC at the same time. With our very talented membership it would be a difficult decision but one I would like to have to make. As I have said before let's stop the endless requests for "who will fill a position" but have members willingly step up and take on the leadership role in all the missions we serve.

Ed

#### Jean Everly Update



We've just received an update call from Julian that Jean was released from the Winchester hospital after 7 days of treatment for some serious issues.

Jean and Julian will be staying with their son in Winchester for an extended period of time due to the heavy schedule of Dr. appointments coming up for Jean.

Their postal address during this time is: 111 Ironweed Drive Lake Frederick, VA 22630

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jean

#### FLOTILLA 3-10 ELECTS 2018 SENIOR LEADERS





On November 20, 2017 the membership of Flotilla 3-10 elected Andy Baltins (I) as Flotilla Commander and Gary Palsgrove (r) as Flotilla Vice Commander for the year 2018.

#### **DIVISION 3 BOARD ELECTS 2018 SENIOR LEADERS**





On October 14, 2017 the Division 3 Board members elected Eric Perkins VCDR (I) to serve as Division Commander and our own Ed Gray FC 3-10 to serve as Division Vice Commander for the year 2018.

Congratulations to both

#### **ANOTHER SALUTE TO FLOTILLA 3-10'S VETERANS**



here is a time for everything, and a season for every activity ....". There is a reason we celebrate what used to be called Armistice Day – now Veterans Day – without their service and sacrifices we wouldn't have a Thanksgiving Day. So to all Veterans but especially those among us, I say THANK YOU!! Service to higher purposes and to others is in your DNA and plays an important role in the ongoing success of the Auxiliary at all levels. Here are those who responded to the call for this edition of the Advocate:

Joe Riley Past Division Commander











**Andy Baltins:** ARMY, 1968-1970, Combat Medic, Company Clerk, Legal Clerk, Served in Vietnam 1969-1970.

Carroll Barrack: Air Force 1960-1964

**Monica Benton:** Navy 1993- 2003. Yeoman Chief Petty Officer (E8) Served on the USS Nimitz

**Dave Brack:** Air Force 1966-1970; Presidential Communications Support for Air Force One

**Sal Puglisi:** Air Force 1951-1959, 4 years active and 4 years reserve. Served in Germany, France and Portugal; completed his service at Bolling AF Base, DC as Staff Sgt.

Brian Burr: Navy 1980- 1984

Don Chamberlain: Navy; Officer 1967-1978

**Julian Everly:** Coast Guard 1953-1957; Reserves 1957-1992; Retired Bosun Mate Master Chief

Ed Gray: Air Force 1968-1972 Spain

Oliver Knight: Army 1951-1952; PA National Guard 1952-1958

**Phil Landry:** Navy 1958-1967 (active duty) Reserves 1970-1995; retired CWO4. Submarine duty and Naval Investigative Service (now NCIS)

**Alvin Lynn:** Army 1951-1953; Germany Occupation; 1954-1958 Marine Air Reserve Flight Mechanic

**Jack O'Neil:** Army 1962-1982; two tours in Vietnam; retired Lt. Col.

Wayne Ploger: Army. Enlisted 54-Jun '56; West Point Cadet Jul '56-Jun '61; Jun61 - Apr '80 Active Duty Officer; Retired Lt. Col.

**Henry Przygoda:** Army 1969-1971 Vietnam Medic 1970-1971

**Roger Sethmann:** Navy 1960-1968 Operating Room Tech., Portsmouth Naval Hospital

**Charlie Thomas:** Army 1964-1968 in France, Germany, Vietnam

**Glen Thomason:** Army 1961-1981 Retired LTC. Served in Germany, Okinawa, Vietnam and Pentagon. Granddaughter is serving in Africa and Grandson Is in the Air Force. (Talk about DNA)

#### **SOME OF OUR VETERANS – AS THEY WERE**



**ALVIN LYNN** 



DAVE BRACK



JULIAN EVERLY



ED GRAY



**CHARLIE THOMAS** 



JACK O'NEIL



WAYNE PLOGER



SAL PUGLISI



ROGER SETHMANN



HENRY PRYZGODA



CARROLL BARRACK

#### AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING



Karen Whelan (r) receives her Membership certificate from Ed Gray FC 3-10



Tom Panther (r) receives his Membership certificate and Operations Program Ribbon and Medal from Ed Gray FC 3-10



Linda Steele (r) receives her ICS 100 and 700 Course Completion Certificates from Ed Gray FC 3-10



Ed Kirkley (r) receives his official member certificate and ICS 100 and 700 completion certificates from Ed Gray FC 3-10

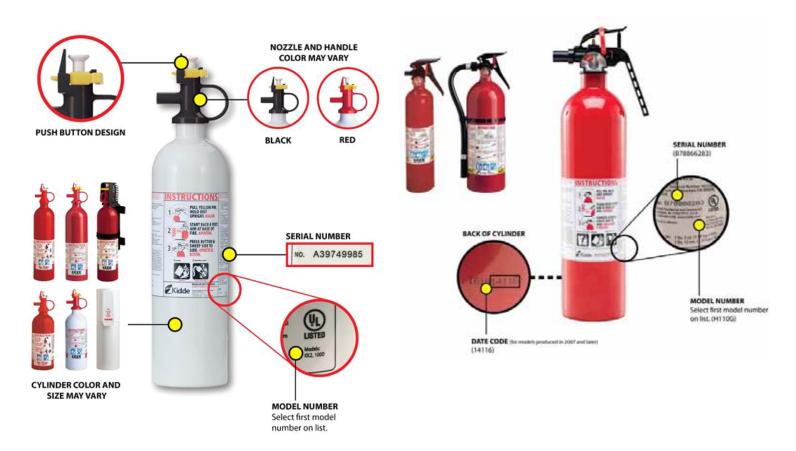


Ed Gray FC 3-10 (I) receives his Sustained Service Awards numbers 7, 8, and 9 from Amy Thomas DCDR 3

#### IMPORTANT FIRE SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

# Kidde Recalls Fire Extinguishers with Plastic Handles Due to Failure to Discharge and Nozzle Detachment: One Death Reported

This recall involves two styles of Kidde fire extinguishers: plastic handle fire extinguishers and push-button Pindicator fire extinguishers.



Plastic handle fire extinguishers: The recall involves 134 models of Kidde fire extinguishers manufactured between January 1, 1973 and August 15, 2017, including models that were previously recalled in March 2009 and February 2015. The extinguishers were sold in red, white and silver, and are either ABC- or BC-rated. The model number is printed on the fire extinguisher label.

For units produced in 2007 and beyond, the date of manufacture is a 10-digit date code printed on the side of the cylinder, near the bottom. Digits five through nine represent the day and year of manufacture in DDDYY format. Date codes for recalled models manufactured from January 2, 2012 through August 15, 2017 are 00212 through 22717. For units produced before 2007, a date code is not printed on the fire extinguisher.

#### **Consumer Contact:**

Kidde toll-free at 855-271-0773 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET Saturday and Sunday.

Or online at www.kidde.com and click on "Product Safety Recall" for more information.

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# SERVING THE U.S. COAST GUARD and THE RECREATIONAL BOATING PUBLIC



A local couple tending their crab traps on a beautiful summer day on the Lower Machadoc Creek at Tidwells, VA

REMINDER: The Flotilla Web Site is alive and well! All Newsletters, Press Releases and PE Class Flyers will be posted when available – Check it out!

www.Flotilla3-10.org

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

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(Editor's Reminder - all that you do is significant and important! Share it with others in this publication.)

### Fifth Southern Flotilla 3-10 Elected and Appointed Officers 2017

Flotilla Commander	G. Edward Gray, Jr.
Flotilla Vice Commander	Andris Baltins
Communications	Donald Chamberlain
Communications Services	Erik H. Amato
Finance	Oliver M. Knight
Human Resources	Gary l. Palsgrove
Information Services	John F. O'Neil
Materials	Glen R. Thomason
Member Training	Gary l. Palsgrove
Navigation Systems	Charles B. Thomas
Operations	Joseph C. Riley
Public Affairs	G. Edward Gray, Jr
Publications	Erik H. Amato
Public Education	Fred Woodard
RBS Program Visitor	Philip K. Landry
Secretary/Records	Andris Baltins
Vessel Examinations	David J. Brack
FSO At Large	Julian Everly
Camaraderie Captain	Pim Montgomery