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## Information from the District meeting in Williamsburg

I attended the District meeting in Williamsburg on 24 and 25 September.

Elections for our 2017 district leadership were held on Saturday. Dave Adams was elected District Commodore, Michelle Thornton of Sector Hampton Roads was elected District Chief of Staff; and Bruce Johnson was once again elected Sector MD/NCR District Captain.

Issues addressed during the weekend included the need for timely and accurate unit reports, PSI backlog, completion of mandatory training, patrol accidents, paddle craft fatalities and need for training and outreach.

Suggestions for addressing mandatory training included creation of CDs for members, hands-on help with FEMA training, and adjustment of bylaws to allow quorums with fewer attendees. Commander Thacko acknowledged some older members may never complete training and need to adjust for that fact.

The upcoming award cycle was highlighted. These include Auxiliarist of the Year, Greanoff awards, Flotilla Meritorious Achievement, and Lifetime Achievement awards. Most are due by December, if not sooner.

Opportunities abound for PA and Ops in October. Sector MD/NCR is looking for Auxiliarists to train in Marine Safety specialties. Boat shows in Oct. include Annapolis Sailboat Show Oct. 6-10 and Powerboat Show Oct 14-16. Fleet Week and Blue Angels is Oct. 14-16.

Upcoming events and deadlines were stressed. The Division Election is scheduled for Oct. 06 and nominations may be made from the floor. Flotilla elections should be scheduled in November.

Budgets and financial reports/inventory reports are due in January along with annual listing of officers.

Continuing Issues in the district are Mandatory Training, PSIs and the need for timely reports

Please mark your calendars and save the date of 14 January 2017 for the annual Change of Watch. The reservation form can be found at the end of this issue of the Chatter.

*Dale Helms*

Division Commander

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## Support for Sector Maryland-NCR Prevention Department

### Background

The Coast Guard Auxiliary Marine Safety program is designed to facilitate and encourage Auxiliary support for Coast Guard Sectors. The Auxiliary's marine safety mission encompasses a number of special skills that mostly fall within the purview of Sector Maryland-National Capital Region's (MD-NCR) Prevention Department. This message outlines how you can get support Sector's prevention mission.

### Varied Specialties

The Auxiliary's Marine Safety program currently encompasses 22 Performance Qualification Systems (PQSs). For a complete list, see <http://www.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=P-DEPT&category=ms-pqs> on the national Prevention Directorate website. Of the 22 PQSs, eight are relevant to our Sector:

- Auxiliary Assistant Waterways Management Representative (AUX-WM)
- Auxiliary Assistant Pollution Responder (AUX-ED)
- Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner (CFVE)
- Auxiliary Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examiner (AUX-UPV)
- Auxiliary Assistant Container Inspector (AUX-EC)
- Auxiliary Assistant Contingency Planner (AUX-ACP)
- Auxiliary Assistant Facility Inspector (AUX-EU)
- Auxiliary Port State Control Dispatcher (AUX-PSC)

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Articles and pictures are encouraged and appreciated.

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Auxiliarists can receive training and support for PQSs relevant to Sector Maryland-NCR only. (There are a limited number of Auxiliary-specific Marine Safety PQSs that are taught by Auxiliarists.)

## Staffing Needs

Sector needs our help with the following:

**AUX-WM, AUX-EC, AUX-ACP, AUX-PSC** – 3-6 Auxiliarists needed in each PQS; scheduled training will be provided

**AUX-ED** – Auxiliarists are needed throughout the Sector; unscheduled training will be provided

**CFVE, AUX-UPV** – Several Eastern Shore Auxiliarists are needed; training will be offered at STA Ocean City or another Eastern Shore location

**AUX-EU** – 1-2 Auxiliarists needed; scheduled training will be provided

Sector could also use help with data entry

## Training Plan

We want to identify Auxiliarists who are interested in receiving high quality training from Sector Prevention active duty personnel. Please review the following even if you do not think you're interested in the Auxiliary's Marine Safety mission:

**Nov. 2016-April 2017, twice a month** – Auxiliary Assistant Waterways Management Representative (AUX-WM) *This training would potentially be of interest to coxswains, boat crew, and ATON verifiers*

**Nov. 2017-April 2018, twice a month** – Auxiliary Assistant Pollution Responder (AUX-ED) *There is a need for Auxiliarists throughout the sector that can be called on to check out reports of pollution spills.*

**As soon as possible** – Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner (CFVE) & Auxiliary Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examiner (AUX-UPV)

*Sector needs several more CFVEs, particularly on the Eastern Shore. Training can be offered wherever there are enough people to make it worthwhile.*

**Other training** will be offered if enough people are willing to commit to the PQS. Most training will be offered on weekends or weekday evenings.

## Next Steps

PQS Descriptions follow this memo. Please read more about anything that looks interesting. If you are interested in any of these PQS, **please complete the survey at:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MS-Prevention>

## More Information

If you have questions about this training initiative or Marine Safety, please contact Jessica Allard, ADSO-MS, at (401) 241-2101 or [Jessica.allard@hotmail.com](mailto:Jessica.allard@hotmail.com).

Editor's Note: The above was received email from Bruce Johnson, DCAPT Sector Maryland-NCR

## Cover Photos

**Top Left:** l—r: Anthony Wisniewski Bryan Teague, and DCO Rob Sersen at 23-3 picnic. Photo by Dale Helms.

**Top Right:** Aux John Johnson, 23-02 talks with BM2 Link, SN Huebel, and MK3 Aventi. from Station St. Inigoes at the "Beach Party" held on 6 August in Leonardtown Square. Photo by Dale Helms

**Middle Left:** Harry Scott answered questions from Sherry Gleeson at National Night Out in the Long Beach/Calvert Beach neighborhood. Photo by Connie Cosgrove.

**Middle Right:** Martin Jackson—Reds Reptile Show holds a red corn snake and has his iguana attached to his hat as he walked around the grounds. Photo by Connie Cosgrove.

**Bottom Right:** Batman visited with kids at Long Beach/Calvert Beach on 2 August during National Night Out. Photo by Connie Cosgrove.

**Bottom Left:** John Johnson and David Jimney at Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant annual safety day. Photo by Connie Cosgrove.

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## Flotilla participates in annual Safety Day

Calvert Cliff Nuclear Power Plant held their annual safety fair a month early this year. The event has typically been held in September but this year, the 10<sup>th</sup> annual event was held on 11 August from 1200 until 1530. The day was a typical hot and humid “dog days of summer” day. Following the safety fair employees’ families joined them at a picnic with carnival rides for the children.

Ray Feller and Connie Cosgrove, Flotilla 23-6 handed out boating safety literature, whistles, pencils, pens coloring books, crayons, Frisbees and oil pads and answered boating questions. John Johnson, Flotilla 23-2 kept people busy tying knots with his marlinespike demonstration.

The Red Cross, United Way, Calvert County Fire and Rescue EMS were among other safety oriented vendors who participated in the event. There was a DJ, a table where children could color a pillow case to hold items they should have together for an emergency. There several games like corn hole available at the event. Free water and ice cream bars were available and snow cones compliments of Kona Ice really safety day.

*Connie Cosgrove*

SO-PB



L—R: John Johnson, Conner Middleton, William Saenz, and Kelly Middleton

## Awards

The following members have received awards since the last issue of the Chatter. Congratulations to all!

### Recreational Boating Safety Program Visitor



James Jefferson, 23-6

### “Century Club Award” for completing One hundred Vessel Examinations and/or Program Visits during 2015

William E. Smith and Tom Hardisty, 23-6

### 3-Star Diversity Award

23-6 and 23-7

### Boat Crew Member Qualification



Tim Clarke, 23-3

### Membership Service Award



#### 5 years

Kevin Davis, 23-2

#### 10 years

Douglas Poole,, 23-2

Steve Birchfield, Harry Scott and Craig Walker, 23-6



CG Station St. Inigoes static display at “The Beach Party” in Leonardtown, MD. Photo by Dale Helms

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## Announcing a New Basic Qualification Course (BQC II)

A new Basic Qualification course (BQC II) is available to all members. While aimed primarily at Application Pending (AP) status members that want to rapidly move towards Basically Qualified (BQ) status, it provides information on Auxiliary missions, programs, policies and structure to better prepare all members for their service.

The Basic Qualification Course (BQC II) introduces the member to the Auxiliary Manual (AUXMAN) in 7 student study guide modules. Each module covers one or two chapters of the AUXMAN but with a major reduction in the reading required. The modules are stand alone and can be taken in any order. At the conclusion of each Module, the member takes a 22 question exam located on the National Testing Center (NTC) website. Passing the open book exam with at least 90% is recorded in AUXDATA for your permanent record. The AUXDATA record also shows up in your AUXDIR (OFFICER) profile.

The BQC II Course link can be found on the Training Directorate website. Go to the National Website at CGAUX.org, then go to the Directorate pull down menu and select "Training". In the left hand column, you will see the link to "Basic Qual II Course".

The BQC II material is also available by direct link at: <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=T-DEPT&category=basic-qualification>

Editor's Note: The above was received email from the Auxiliary message service.



## New Member

Dick James become a member of 23-3 since the last Chatter. Please welcome him and offer him any assistance you can.

## World's Best Coast Guard - 226 Years of Service

To the men and women of our Coast Guard,

When he founded the Coast Guard 226 years ago, even a visionary like Alexander Hamilton could have hardly imagined the service we are today.

Consistent with our maritime roots, yet evolved to address increasingly complex threats, today's Coast Guard is a strategically focused force that provides a unique and powerful value to our Nation. I'm proud to see you answer the call on a daily basis.

Hamilton might not recognize many aspects of today's Coast Guard, but there is one element he could not miss - you. Our dedicated force of active duty, reserves, civilians, auxiliary and retirees selflessly and professionally serve our Nation. Without you, there is no Coast Guard.

As we venture into our 226th year, we will remain Semper Paratus - Always Ready to guard the homeland, protect our environment, facilitate commerce, attack transnational criminal organizations, and save those in peril. We are on every continent and have sailed on every ocean. I have witnessed your strength and resolve, and I can say with pride that we are the world's best Coast Guard!

Happy 226th birthday - it is my honor to serve alongside you.

Semper Paratus  
Admiral Paul F. Zukunft  
Commandant

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## 2015 AFRAS AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Association For Rescue at Sea (AFRAS) Gold Medal is awarded annually to a Coast Guard enlisted member who exhibited exceptional courage and heroism during a rescue at sea. The Silver Medal is awarded annually to a deserving Coast Guard Auxiliarist for a heroic rescue either inland or in coastal waters.

The AFRAS Silver Medal has been awarded to Coast Guard Auxiliarist Patrick Porter, District Eleven Southern Region.

Although there were several inspirational nominations, selection for the AFRAS Gold and Silver Medals is limited to one awardee per medal. Nonetheless, all of the AFRAS award nominees exhibited great courage and brought credit to the service. Their performance honors our profession and life-saving heritage.

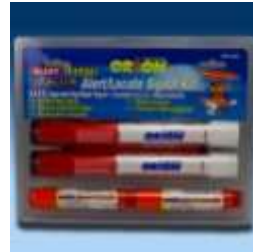
Other Auxiliary award nominees included Bryan Teague, Mace Coleman, Lynn Disque, John Fewer, Paul Deafenbaugh, and Anthony Wisniewski, from Flotilla 23-03.

Editor's note: The above was taken from an ALAUX message that sent out from the Chief Directors list server.

## Former Division 15 Caption Aline Meschter Crosses the Bar

Aline "Lee" Meschter crossed the bar on Aug. 15, 2016. Lee was Flotilla Commander of Flotilla 15-1 (currently 23-1) in 1991 and 1992. She was Division Captain in 1996 and 1997. I had the privilege of serving as her Vice and being the first female team to serve as Division Captain and Vice-Captain in our district. Lee served as the Division Member Resource Office (Human Resources) and as SO-FN for a brief term.

*Connie Cosgrove*  
SO-PB



## Disposal of Unwanted/Outdated Pyrotechnic Devices

Auxiliarists are sometimes asked to accept out-of-date or otherwise unwanted pyrotechnic devices for disposal. Accepting such materials for disposal is not an authorized mission for the Auxiliary and may result in individual Auxiliarists taking possession of unstable and hazardous materials and becoming personally responsible for their disposal. Although some municipal and volunteer fire departments or law enforcement agencies may accept pyrotechnics for disposal, many will not. Disposal may pose potential health or safety hazards to the individual or to the environment.

If, as a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, you are requested to take possession of such materials for disposal, the request must be respectfully declined. The only appropriate advice that may be given with respect to disposing of the unwanted materials is to caution against throwing them overboard, activating them in the marine environment, or disposing of them in household trash.

It would be appropriate to suggest that the individual contact local law enforcement or fire protection authorities for guidance on disposing of the unwanted materials. Members should not recommend that they be activated on land or retained on board a vessel as back-ups since older flares may become unstable and their burn rates unpredictable.

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## Flotilla 23-6 participates in Sheriff's Open House

August 27 was a typical August day – very hot and humid. Despite the 90 degree day, three members from Flotilla 23-6 were up early and setting up their PA booth for what turned out be a busy day. The open house ran from 1000 to 1400. Bill Smith, John and Connie Cosgrove handed out coloring books, crayons, book marks, pencils, whistles and Frisbees to the children. They answered questions about boating-safety requirements in Maryland, public education, vessels' safety checks, and other related topics. They gave out oil-absorption pads provided by the State to boaters.



Patrol boat 29162 from Coast Guard Station St. Inigoes was on display. BM3 Devin Bierig and MK3 Robert Carnago answered questions and gave the children a tour of the boat. They also had boating-safety literature available.



Reds Reptile Show also participated in the open house. Diana Stoaks and Martin Jackson had a red corn snake, iguanas, a turtle, and several geckos on display.

Sheriff Mike Evans opened the ceremonies at noon. Bishop Patton from the Lighthouse Church gave the invocation. The Young Marines of Southern Maryland led the Pledge of Allegiance and conducted the flag raising. The Star Spangled Banner was sung by Mrs. Joy Mitchell. Tours of the sheriff's office were given throughout the afternoon, and the K9 demonstration closed out the show. Sherriff Mike Evans' special guests for children were 4 super heroes, among them Spiderman.



Connie Cosgrove  
SO-PB

## Member Activities with Incomplete Mandated Training (AUXMT)

Members who have not yet completed mandatory training are still eligible to: Vote in unit elections, attend unit meetings, vote on unit issues, and attend all unit fellowship activities.

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## Introducing a New Aux Weather Course

The Training Directorate is tasked with developing the next generation of Operational Specialty Courses (AUXOP) including: Weather, Communications, Seamanship, Patrols, and Navigation. We are announcing that the new Weather Specialty Course (AUXWEA) will be available mid-October 2016.

The new AUXWEA course includes the new: student study guide (SSG), PowerPoint slides (PPT), and the new AUXWEA exam on The National Testing Center Website (NTC).

The new course eliminates unnecessary complications from the description of weather phenomenon, and adds modern terminology and concepts to the class. In addition, there is a new chapter that discusses weather from the coxswain's perspective.

Existing AUXWEA course material will be available until mid-October; after that all AUXWEA material will be converted to the new course including the NTC exam. For those instructors that teach AUXWEA and members interested in starting to study AUXWEA, we recommend waiting until mid-October for the new material to be available. Those members currently studying AUXWEA have until mid-October to complete the old exam.

AUXOP material can be found at:  
<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=T-DEPT&category=auxop-courses>

The NTC exams can be found at: <http://ntc.cgaux.org/>

Both sites require a login with member ID and password.

Editor's Note: The above was received through the Auxiliary message system.

## National Training Directorate DSO-MT Teleconference Minutes

Basic Qualification Course II (BQCII) is to become mandatory for new members in 2017 to move from AP to BQ in addition to completing all the AUXMT (mandated training) courses and the Boating Safety Course. BQCII will be introduced to the membership by October 2016 for Beta Testing (that's where users find problems with the program, if there are any). There are seven modules and can be taken in any order like the AUXMT Courses. Each module has twenty exam questions at the end that will be on the National Testing Center (NTC) web portal. BQCII will also replace the Administrative Procedures Course (APC, one of the courses required for elected officer candidates). Not that many changes from what we're doing now, mostly better organization and documentation of the material.

BQCII, presumably, builds on the Basic Qualification Course and Personnel Qualification Standards (PQS) now available on-line at the National Training Directorate web page (<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=T-DEPT&category=basic-qualification>). The course and PQS is voluntary, even though some parts of the PQS are already required. Mandated Training and National Association of Safe Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) approved boating class, for example.

PQS includes questions to be answered correctly before a mentor as well as completion of activities and courses, similar to Boat Crew qualification process, that is:

- ICS100 and ICS700
- Mandated Training – 8 courses
- A NASBLA certified Boating Safety Course e.g. ABS, BS&S, SS&S
- ADM Papp Leadership Series Videos

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- A Member Involvement Plan

It is noted that members already BQ, don't need to complete the PQS to remain BQ.

Want to move from IQ to BQ? Implementing the BQ PQS courses now is an option. Members who like the process for moving to BQ as it is should make the move to BQ now. All in all, this is a good thing for members seeking knowledge and understanding and for the Auxiliary seeking knowledgeable, informed members.

Also noted in the Training Directorate DSO-MT Teleconference Minutes is that Auxiliary Operational (AUXOP) Courses are being updated and improved, many to be issued before the end of the year.

Proctored paper exams will be eliminated – they'll be available at the NTC, still proctored – much more convenient and efficient.

A new course, AUXRESCUE to be implemented, is in its early stages of development.

Finally, revised Flotilla and Division Procedure Guides are in revision and near release.

## New Reporting Form for Uninspected Commercial Vessels.

After many years of misreporting and for a variety of other reasons, a new form was created for the reporting of the Uninspected Commercial Vessels. This new form (the ANSC 7066 Commercial Vessel Examination Activity Report) is located on the PDF Forms for Auxiliarists page at:  
<http://forms.cgaux.org/archive/a7066/pdf>.

The new 7066 form resolves several issues including the problem of unqualified examiners entering and getting credit for Uninspected Passenger Vessel, Uninspected Towing Vessel and Commercial Fishing Vessel Examinations making

the data we report to the various Coast Guard offices inaccurate.

Some of the changes made include:

- 1) Removal of the trainee option in Section I and II
- 2) Section II hours incurred and the number of examinations conducted on Commercial Fishing Vessels, Uninspected Passenger Vessels, and Uninspected Towing Vessels can only be listed by Auxiliarists holding a current/valid Letter of Designation as a 'AUX-CFVE' - Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner, 'AUXUPV' - Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examiner, or 'AUX-UTV'- Uninspected Towing Vessel Examiner from the Sector Commander/Captain of the Port/Officer in Charge of Marine Inspections under whom they work and from whom they have received orders to conduct such examinations.
- 3) In Section III – Remarks, it is recommended that examiners indicate who issued their orders for doing the exams. It should be noted that ONLY Sector Coast Guard Uninspected Commercial Vessel Coordinators may issue orders for these types of examinations. Auxiliarists cannot provide Assignment to Duty for Uninspected Commercial Vessel exams.

In addition, there are instructions for logging travel and prep time associated with this activity on the ANSC-7029. For those members that are working on their AUX-CFVE, AUX-UPV or AUX-UTV qualification, their hours are reported on the ANSC 7030 form under either 80B Commercial Fishing Vessel Training & Qualifications, 80D – UPV Training & Qualifications 80F - UTV Training Qualifications. The examinations that members conduct during their training for those qualifications are entered on their PQS booklet so that they receive credit their required training examinations.

*Gregory B. Kester,*  
Deputy Director Prevention

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## Two Flotillas support National Night Out

The Flotilla 23-6 supported the communities of Long Beach/Calvert Beach and Queensberry during National Night Events. Harry Scott, John and Connie Cosgrove staffed the safety booth at Long Beach/Calvert Beach and Ray Feller supported Queensberry.

At the Long Beach/Calvert Beach event there was a dunking tank, face painting by two different groups, a DJ, tie dying T-shirts, tractor rides, snow cones, pizza, BBQ, hula hoop contest, fire trucks and the sheriff's utility truck on display. Batman paid a visit to the event to greet the kids.



This was the first year the Queensberry Community has participated in the event. They had food, music, and entertainment. There was a moon bounce, face painting, board games, cards and catch for the kids.

At both events 23-6 handed out Frisbees, pens, pencils, coloring books and crayons as well as oil pads and safe boating literature to boaters.

Flotilla 23-7 participated in an event which was held at the Lula Scott Community Center in beautiful downtown Shadyside on the afternoon/evening of August 2. Manning the booth were Ray Walsh, Christopher Jensen, and Sherry Marnell. Sherry was just passing by while attending the event in her new neighborhood and upon discovering we were there, pitched right in like an old pro for the duration of the evening. We passed out a lot of stuff and had a great time, as usual. We do the event every year.

*Connie Cosgrove*

SO-PB

## President's Lifetime Achievement Award



Congratulations to Division 23 Shipmates for earning the President's Lifetime Achievement Award (Shipmates have contributed so significantly—at least

4,000 cumulative hours—that they have met the award criteria of the highest honors in volunteerism excellence from our nation's President)

### 23-01 Annapolis

Norwitz, Wendy, 14,635.90 cumulative hours; Discenza, Walter 13,063.45; Klaver, Leonard 10,734.05; Welday Jr, Jim 10,655.55; Martin, Edwin 9,803.95; Price, Ronald 8,792.45; Farrell, James B 7,915.60; Murray Jr, Arthur 6,759.65 and Murray, Anita M 6,504.40.

### 23-02 Solomons

Hillard, Ronald 16,869.20; Smith, Gary 7,111.50; Johnson, John 7,059.40; Askew, Gregory 6,564.70; Ouellette, Robin 5,677.01; Camp, Frederick 5,280.60 and Pannone, Timothy 4,422.70;

### 23-03 West Annapolis

Deafenbaugh Jr, Paul 10,296.60 and Parker, Donald 4,047.11

### 054-23-04 South River

Gallups, Ordice A 13,978.05

### 054-23-06 Drum Point

Cosgrove, Connie 14,485.50; Cosgrove, John 12,628.75; Feller, Rainer 11,521.20; Scott, Harry 8,516.05; and Smith Jr, William 4,102.75

### 054-23-07 Herring Bay

Wentz, Philip 14,216.19; Gittings, Robert 11,702.05; Prokopchak, Michael 7,656.05; Jensen, Christopher 6,571.08; and Miller, Paul 4,557.90

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## Mandatory Training and 4 hour TCT Classes scheduled for 16 October

Division 24 is sponsoring the mandatory training courses on 16 October at Montgomery County Fire Station 34, 20633 Boland Farm Rd. Germantown, MD 20876. All Auxiliaries are welcome.

Mandatory Training Classes will run from 0800 – 1300 with the 4 hour TCT Class will run from 1300 – 1700.

The Mandatory Training classes will be presented in a video format. Classes presented will be adjusted according to student needs. Any of the eight courses listed below may be requested. Assistance in logging on/taking the ICS 100 or 700 classes will also be available as requested.

The mandatory classes are: 502379 - Suicide Prevention, 502306 - Ethics, 810045 - Sexual Assault Prevention, 810000 - Prevention Of Sexual Harassment, 810015 - Privacy Awareness, 502319 - Civil Rights Awareness, 810030 - Security Education & Training and 502290 - Influenza

To register or get additional information please contact John Sill at johnesill@verizon.net.

Editor's Note: The above was received email.

## Waterfowl hunter safety campaign

In Jan of 2015, two Maryland duck hunters died after their 16-foot boat capsized on the Severn River, neither of which was wearing a PFD. At the conclusion of this case, D5 command staff decided more should be done reach waterfowl hunters. D5 public affairs will be kicking off a waterfowl hunter safety campaign in the near future and PADET Baltimore will be participating by conducting media outreach, community outreach through use of Auxiliary volunteers and social media outreach.

The opening date for waterfowl season in Maryland is Oct. 15.

As of now, there are a few key parts to this campaign:

- 1) Aux volunteers giving out flyers at the beginning of the campaign
- 2) Aux volunteers conducting 'pop up' safety events at local sporting good/outdoor/gun and ammo shops throughout the season
- 3) Sector MD-NCR social media campaign (PADET Baltimore will produce and provide content
- 4) Press brief midway through the season (as temperatures get colder) to include local partner agencies
- 5) Coast Guard press releases

There will be more to follow with this campaign, but I wanted to give you all a heads up about its beginning.

Jasmine S. Mieszala

Petty Officer 3rd Class

Public Affairs Specialist

Public Affairs Detachment (PADET) Baltimore

## Chatter wins runner-up in 2015

At the District meeting on 24-25 September the District Publication awards were presented.

The best Division publication was awarded to Division 6 The Capstan, Kim Holland, SO-PB

The best Division publication runner-up went to Division 23 Chesapeake Chatter, Connie Cosgrove, SO-PB

The Chatter won best division publication in 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005 and 2006. It also received the runner-up award in 2004 and 2011.

Best Flotilla Publication went to Flotilla 67 Watchstander, Kim Holland, FSO-PB.

Best Flotilla Publication Runner-up went to Flotilla 31 Gangplank, Wayne Wyrobeck, FSO-PB.



# Chesapeake Chatter

Division 23

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## CHANGE OF WATCH UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY CENTRAL CHESAPEAKE DIVISION 23

**WHERE:** Renditions Golf Course, 1380 West Central Avenue, Davidsonville, MD 21035  
410-798-9798 or 1-888-451-4144

**WHEN:** Saturday 14 January 2017, from 1400 to 1800 (2pm to 6pm).

**MEMBER AND GUEST ATTIRE:** Tropical Blue Uniform or Business Casual.

**SOCIAL TIME CASH BAR:** 1400 - 1445

**LUNCH SEATING:** Salad served at 1445.

**BUFFET MENU:**

Roast Prime Rib of Beef au jus, Chicken Parmesan and Cheese Tortellini Marinara  
With your choice of Grilled Vegetables, Herb Roasted Potatoes, Rolls and Butter.

**DESSERT:** Strawberry Shortcake Layer Cake or Chocolate Cake with Coffee.

**RESERVATION DEADLINE:** 28 December 2016

**Price per person:** \$40.00 includes 20% gratuity

**Checks are to be made payable to:** USCGAUX DIV 23

**Dessert Choice**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Flotilla \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail your reservation to: Theresa A. Gray, P.O. Box 89, Charlotte Hall, MD 20659

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