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2018



If you were not able to attend DTRAIN in Orlando this year, you really missed out on a lot. There were any number of great workshops and an evening of entertainment and dancing.

The Auxiliary Store was open each day, where you could purchase anything from coffee cups to boonie hats. They carried auxiliary uniform accessories, gadgets with the auxiliary logo, and even a couple of things I had to ask what they were. There were also several tables in the lobby featuring auxiliary communications and recreational boating safety. The evening after the formal dinner, and induction of District Officers, there was a fun night dinner with a "Disney Theme". Two of the **dance stars** that evening were Bob Fabich and his wife, Lexi.



There was a lot of new information brought forward during the different workshops. Here are just a few of the things that were reviewed and discussed:

- There are plans in place to modify the current personal security check program for new members. We will be able to vet new members in about 30 days! The program will be phased in by district all across the country next year. There is no word yet when our district will start the program.
- The Coast Guard Auxiliary and the "Sea Scouts" signed a Memorandum of Agreement which will allow a close working relationship between our two organizations. There are a number of details to be worked out, but you can find out more by going to [http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads\\_wow/B-DEPT/AUX-BSA-MOA.pdf](http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads_wow/B-DEPT/AUX-BSA-MOA.pdf).
- Everbridge is still a valuable tool and the Coast Guard reemphasized the importance of being able to account for all of our members after an emergency. We are all a part of Team Coast Guard. It's important we account for everyone's safety after an emergency. Please make sure you keep your FSO-IS informed of your current address, phone numbers and email address.
- There are plans to drop the requirement for FEMA training courses for ICS 100 and 700 for our AP members. These courses will still be required for other training such as operations, food services, etc.
- The district purchased a WEEMS and PLATH **ELECTRONIC FLARE** for each flotilla. This new device replaces the requirement to carry flares aboard a vessel. The electronic flares are to be used for PA events, PE classes, and other events to demonstrate the newest in

boating safety equipment.

If you were not able to attend DTRAIN, you unfortunately missed out on a lot of FUN, INFORMATION, and FELLOWSHIP. [Click here to view the DTRAIN 2018 photo album.](#)

Next year we will again have DTRAIN in Orlando. Start marking your calendar now so that you do not miss out on next year's District 7 Training Workshops.

**Andy Render, Commander, Division 15**

Coast Guard Auxiliary photos by Robert A. Fabich, Sr.



Division 15 will be conducting elections for the office of Division Commander and Division Vice Commander during our regularly scheduled Division Board meeting on **Saturday October 13, 2018**. The meeting will be in the West Citrus Community Center, 8940 W. Veterans Dr. Homosassa, FL and will begin at 0900 hours. All members are encouraged to attend.

**Division Change of Watch** - November 17, 2018 Noon

[Click here for RSVP and details.](#)

## District 2019 Staff Positions Open for Application

All members are encouraged to apply for District Staff positions if interested. You must have completed CORE training and the BQII courses to be considered. All positions are for a 2 year period that coincides with the District Commodore's term of office. All applications will be given consideration. Please use the attached Staff Application to apply. **All applications must be returned by Oct. 15, 2018.** [Click to download application.](#)



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