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DIVISION ONE

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Zionsville Fall Festival



Butterfly Hitching a Ride

(photo by: Erol Cetinok)

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Zionsville Fall Festival

This year the Zionsville Fall Festival was held as normal the weekend following Labor Day, 8-10 September 2023. It took place at Zionsville Lions Club Park on Sycamore St. in Zionsville, IN.

We setup our canopy on Friday, 8 September 2023. We had plenty of help during setup. We are so grateful to have that canopy with huge letters and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary insignia. That is a great eye-catcher.

On Friday, 9 September 2023 the opening ceremony began with our national anthem "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung by a beautiful voice. About 2/3 of the way through,



(L to R) Ted E. Bear, Carter Keith, Bryan Runyon, Skip Nunweiler, Mark Keith and FC, Erol Cetinok

(photo by: Eda Cetinok)



Beautiful Table Covers

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

the sound system suddenly quit. Although there was no sound, the people listening picked it up right after the sound system stopped. What a wonderful show of patriotism as the public finished the strains of the words and melody. A member at The American Legion booth remarked how great to see and hear it.





Learning to Tow
(photo by: 082-12-01)

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courses.”**



Ready to Dock
(photo by: USCG Auxiliary)

Application Pending (AP) Status

I hear many ask “Why can’t I get an ID Card?” You only need to see if you are still AP Status. If you are Application Pending (AP), then you have some work to do. You must complete Core Training (AUXCT) and Basic Qualification Course - II (BQC-II).

We have an unusual high number of members in AP Status. It is not that difficult to complete the courses. There are members who freeze-up trying to take a test. If you are one of those people, ask for help. There are many members ready to help you during your difficult time.

AUXCT has seven (7) courses (link: <https://auxlearning.uscg.mil/Default.asp>). Five need to be renewed every five (5) years. The last two (2) are permanent. Take those 2 once and you are done.

The five (5) subjects are:

1. Workforce Resilience Training
2. Security Fundamentals
3. Privacy at DHS: Protecting Personal Information
4. Sexual Harassment Prevention
5. Civil Rights Awareness
6. Ethics I / Personal Gifts
7. Basic Qualification Course II

For BQC-II you need to understand the background and history of the Auxiliary as a prerequisite



Mentoring Is Part Of The Auxiliary
(photo by: MyCG-Coast Guard)

for further courses and training. There are six (6) areas to cover:

1. Core Values and Missions
2. Courtesy and Protocols
3. Human Resources & Awards
4. Member Training and Uniforms
5. Membership Requirements and Structure
6. Support, Materials and Reimbursement

We must find ways to help

those in AP Status to move up. It does not look good for Division I or your Flotilla if you have a high number in AP Status. Support your Flotilla with mentors to encourage they help those listed as Application Pending. We need to help them become Initially Qualified (IQ) or Basically Qualified (BQ). If we can do that, we can quietly stick our chest and feel “Look what I did.” Be proud of it.



Tailwalker Too on Ohio River
(photo by: Ric Wiseley)

Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade

Veterans Day is celebrated on 11 November every year. At one time it was called Armistice Day which recognized the end of World War I. At that time it was the war that ended all wars. We all know what transpired according to recent history. This year it fell on Saturday, but Indianapolis decided to move the parade to Friday, 10 November.

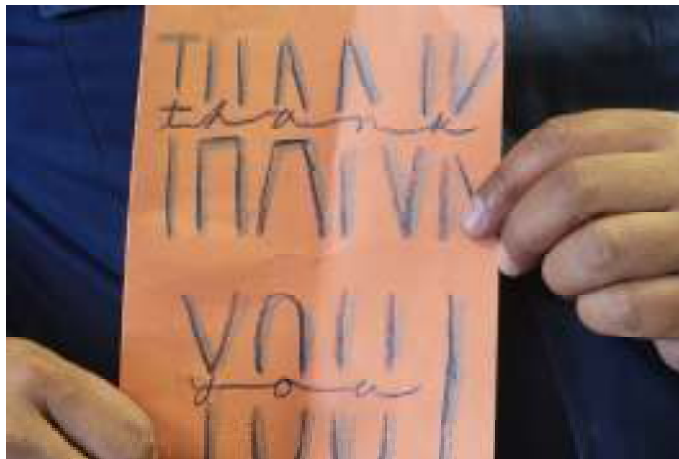
It is wonderful seeing all veterans who served in the past. Some served in war-time and others in peace-time. When in public and wearing something identifying them as a veteran may get a response of "Thank you for your service." Although veterans appreciate the recognition, many feel it was an "Honor to serve."

Walter Guntharp brought his facility, Tailwalker Too with Patrol placards displayed. Accompanying Walt was Doug Jave, Skip Nunweiler, Michael Richardt, Richard Freidman. Emmanuel Ugono, Bryan Runyon and Miguel Mojica.



The Crew Aboard the Facility During the Parade

(photo by: Walt Guntharp)



Front of the Thank You Note

(photo by: Walt Guntharp)

We had an unusual heartwarming experience during the parade. A mother

brought a young boy holding a piece of paper. Doug Jave reached down to take the piece of paper. It was a Thank You from a 2-year old. That small action melted our hearts. We enjoy the participation of our Division I of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in the parade or any community activities. This was one of many this year and look forward to more in the future.



Back of the Thank You Note

(photo by: Walt Guntharp)



The Facility in Tow

(photo by: Walt Guntharp)

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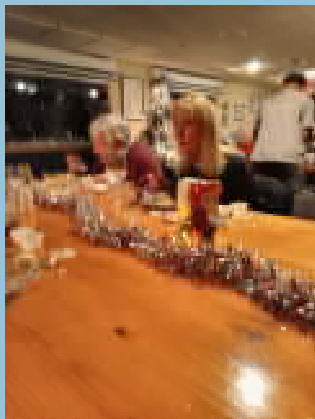
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John and Cindy Hulen
(photo by: Sktp Nunweiler)



Division One

Holiday Party

We can thank John Hulen for setting up the Holiday Party at the White River Yacht Club, where he is a member, located at 1400 E 74th St, Indianapolis, IN 46240. It was on 13 December 2023. This is a private membership club, originating in 1938. It is an ideal location along the eastern banks of the White River. It also has an excellent restaurant with high quality food at a reasonable price.

This was a casual dining experience for all four (4) flotillas in Division I. Division Commander (DCDR) Tom Foreman and Vice Division Commander (VCDR) Michael Richardt led those attending.

It was wonderful having all together with spouses and friends. John Hulen chose Wednesday 13 December 2023 for their restaurant special on a filet dinner with choice of sides.

Most of the members Dorothy Christians celebrating Christmas. We must remember not all members are Christians. DCDR Tom Foreman asked Erol Cetinok to explain the principles of the Muslim religion and Dr. Julian Unger-Sargon MD, PhD to explain Jewish religious principles. It was an enlightening presentation for both.

This was an excellent evening to relax and know our members on a social basis. This annual event is great for our comradery.



Tim Kindred
(photo by: Sktp Nunweiler)



Dorothy Kirkman and Mark Lambert
(photo by: Sktp Nunweiler)



**Bob Fiers, Dan and Henrietta Gillahan,
Sue Guntharp**
(photo by: Sktp Nunweiler)