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April, 2014

Monthly Meeting Training Topic: Commandant's Leadership video

Next meeting: Tuesday, 15 April at 1900 CDT

Attached is a printout from AUXDATA showing currency status. Please check your personal qualifications – especially Vessel Examiners, to see if you have credit for the mandatory 2014 workshop.

Staff Officer Reports:

FSO-CM (Vacant): Nothing to report

FSO-CS (Michael Parages): No report received.

FSO-FN (John Hendele): Preliminary financial statements for January and February, 2014 are attached. We will have to wait to approve them until the deposits for January are identified.

FSO-HR (Gary Markle): No report received.

FSO-IS (Gary Markle): No report received.

FSO-MA (Nevin Hofing): No report received.

FSO-MS (Vacant): Nothing to report

FSO-MT (Michael Foley): Member Training opportunities continue at the Mead Center. Please check the Division newsletter for the classes and information.

We have completed the first training on the Aids Verifier PQS. Three people have been qualified, two from our flotilla and one from 35-06.

The DSO-MT is emphasizing the AUXLAMS Part A on September 12 and Part B on September 26 to be presented in Lisle. You will need a Short Term Training Request (STTR) for possible funding for this. It has a deadline of June 3 for getting the paperwork to the District Commodore. National has stated that there will be no C-school orders issued after July 31 for the current year.

The Mandatory Workshop for VE Currency deadline is June 30.

Flotilla 35-12 Chicago meets at 1900 on the Third Tuesday of every month, except December, at the Sweeting Center of the Moody Bible Institute, 860 North LaSalle Street, Chicago. Use Parking Lot B at the corner of Wells and Locust. Visitors are Welcome! Get temporary parking passes from the building security officer if needed.

Neither the USCG Auxiliary nor Flotilla 35-12 is in any part associated with Moody Bible Institute.

Boating Safety Week will be started off with an OPEN HOUSE at Station Calumet on May 17. Workers will be needed, or just show up with family and friends to attend as "visitors".

The season's OPERATIONS WORKSHOP for our Division will be held on April 19. Lunch will be served to those who make a reservation by April 17 to Mike Scott. The cost is \$5. After lunch the 1 Hour TCT will be presented, which is needed for anyone in the OPS or Aid Verifier program.

The Mead Training Center is located at 1450 E. 98th Street, Chicago, IL. Contact Mike Scott if you are planning to attend any of the trainings or have questions.

FSO-NS (Jan Foley): Two members of our flotilla completed the AV PQS qualification process. Both Mike and Jan Foley have received their certification as Aid Verifiers from CWO Brad Hinken. We were fortunate to have Mike Scott lead us in the preparation and sign-offs.

As we studied the Light List, Jan noticed a discrepancy for the buoy marker off 12th Street Beach (Northerly Island Danger buoys). The Light List had its location at 51 degrees North, when it actually is 41 degrees North. The necessary correction was submitted up the chain and the paperwork was filed.

At the present time Division 35 has been tasked with ATON checks for the upcoming boating season. There are 12 Class I PATONS and 12 Class II PATONS for us to check on once the weather allows us to be on the water.

The 2014 Light Lists are now available on the USCG Navigation Center web site. Check out <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=Lightlists>

FSO-OP (Vacant): Operations Workshop at Station Calumet Harbor is scheduled for April 19. The only members of Flotilla 3512 who have signed up to attend are: COMO Pallis, Jan & Mike Foley, and Mike Scott. If you are planning to attend and not listed, please RSVP to 09535.somt@gmail.com

FSO-PA (Ruth Aurigemma): C-schools for Public Affairs are available. Some are funded. Contact Ruth if you might be interested.

FSO-PB (Michael Scott): Thank you to those staff officers who anticipated the delayed reminder for article submissions.

FSO-PE (Jay Samstag): 15 students successfully completed our ABS class; 3 more are completing the course Sunday, APR 13. We thank Mike and Jan Foley for an excellent teaching job and COMO Chris Tamani for her assistance. The Chicago Police provided over half our students as well as the classroom space.

FSO-PV (Vacant): Nothing to report.

FSO-SR (Michael Spohr): Draft minutes from March are attached.

FSO-VE (Shelley Markle): Three Vessel Examination blitzes are scheduled; the first one is 31 May: Belmont Harbor, beginning at 1000. Two more at DuSable and Burnham Harbors.

Change of Watch Committee (Ed Fahrner, Chrm): Report from January 2014 is attached.

REPORT FROM DIVISION 35 MEETING 3 APR 2014

Report from the District meeting was shared (see Division newsletter for summary)

The Coast Guard is pushing to receive photographs of activity

The primary mission for the Coast Guard Auxiliary is Recreational Boating Safety.

Secondary missions are training members for boat operations and providing logistics support to the active duty.

April 19 – Operations Workshop at 0900 at Coast Guard Station Calumet Harbor.
RSVP to VFC 3512

May 17 – Open House at Coast Guard Station Calumet Harbor. POC: Ruth Aurigemma

June 14 – Division 35 Boat Camp – send your checks for \$10 to register

Members are asked for suggestions for training ideas for the district training conference in the fall.
