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DIVISION COMMANDER
Rich Persiani

DIVISION VICE COMMANDER
Maryellen Begley

January, 2013

Commander's Quarters
Rich Persiani

Hello! My name is Rich Persiani your new Division Commander for 2013. I am excited about the upcoming year. The Division will be 4 years old and is still young. Maryellen Begley, who is our new Vice Division Commander, and I have assembled a team of Staff Officers who will be serving the members from each Flotilla. I am asking that if you have questions, concerns, or ideas, please go thru your Chain of Leadership. If you don't get the answer you are looking for, please contact the Division Staff Officer -- they are here to support the Flotillas.

Communications is the most important part of our jobs as Leadership. What I am asking all Flotilla Commanders, Vice Flotilla Commanders, FSOs and Division Staff Officers is to pass down the information to your members as soon as you get the information. Members, if you don't feel that you are getting information, please come to Division Meetings. They are held the first Thursday of the month at Station Calumet Harbor at 1900 hrs.

Also, I want to thank Tom Mullally, for all his support this year. We are lucky to have someone like Tom in our Division. I have learned a lot from him as his Vice Division Commander. The following are your 2013 Staff Officers:

- SO-CM – Tom Mullally
- SO-CS – Alex Dolezal
- SO-FN – Reuben Barrett
- SO-HR – Rudy Lyles
- SO-IS – Ruth Aurigemma
- SO-MA – Stacey Howell
- SO-MS – Reuben Barrett
- SO-MT – Mike Scott
- SO-NS – Mike Scott
- SO-OP – James Bell
- SO-PA – Ruth Aurigemma
- SO-PB – Ed Fahrner
- SO-PE – Phil Aszling
- SO-PV – Kathy Chappelle
- SO-SR – Vacant
- SO-VE – Chris Hillas
- SO-R&S – John Hopkins
- SO – Diversity – Robert Bassett

Commander's Quarters
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As you can see the Secretary assignment is still vacant. We need to fill this position. It is very important to the Division. This position takes the Minutes at the Division meeting and sends them out to the Flotilla Commanders. If we don't fill this position, the Flotilla Commanders will have to take turns performing the duties.

Vice Commander's Deck
Maryellen Begley VCDR

No Report This Period

Finance
Reuben Barrett SO-FN

No Report This Period

Member Training
Mike Scott SO-MT

Saturday Division training, at Mead Training Room, is in full swing. In February, the emphasis will be on Crew (mornings) and Coxswain (afternoons) task review.

- 1/19 Paddlesports PE training
- 1/26 Crew: Helo Ops & Dewatering
- 2/2 Crew: Marlinespike /
Coxn: SAR
- 2/9 Crew: Life Support /
Coxn: Boat Handling
- 2/16 First Aid
- 2/23 Crew: Crew Duties /
Coxn: Casualties
- 3/2 Crew: Towing /
Coxn: Towing
- 3/9 Crew: Life Support /
Coxn: Weather & Handling
- 3/16 Crew: Fire Extinguishers /
Coxn: Comms & Admin

WORKSHOP Dates for your Calendar:

- 3/23 Vessel Examiners
- 4/6 Program Visitors
- 4/13 New Member Orientation
- 4/20 8-Hour TCT
- 4/27 Operations

Locations and times will be announced.

MORE TRAINING:

Each flotilla has been asked to identify any training they are performing. This information will be posted on the Division Calendar (available through the Division web site at <http://a09535.uscgaux.info/> Click on the calendar for details for each event.

Please remember to RSVP to each training you plan to attend so the presenters may plan for space and materials.

Navigation Systems
Mike Scott SO-NS

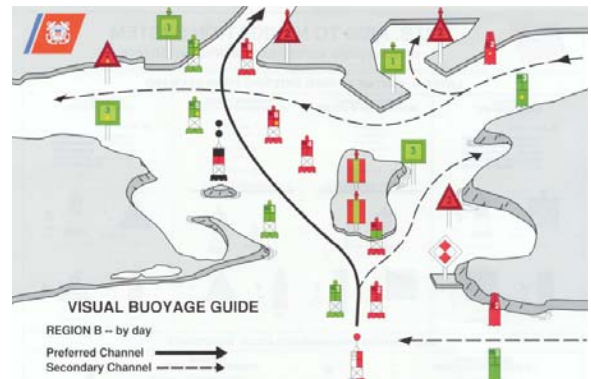
There are four distinct programs under Navigational Systems:

- Aids to Navigation Verification
- Aids to Navigation Discrepancy Reporting
- Bridge Administration Program
- Chart Corrections

To perform ATON Verifications, members must complete the National PQS (available on the Internet at <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=P-DEPT&category=aids-verifier-pqs> (Verifiers who previously qualified under the Ninth District qualifications needed to recertify every three years. Those certified in 2010 or 2011 will be grandfathered for 2013. As of 2012, the National Personal Qualification Standards (PQS) replaced the D9 qualification.)

To report discrepancies, or to submit chart corrections, NO SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS are required. The reports are submitted through your NS staff officers to the appropriate agencies to help them. More information is available from the National web site:

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=P-DEPT&category=navigation-systems>



Flotilla Navigation Systems Staff Officers will be contacted soon to identify members who desire to participate in 2013. FCs should communicate with their FSO-NS to determine their interest. Division will be coordinating with Flotillas soon to establish expectations.

**Mike Scott receiving an Award at the
Station Calumet Harbor Christmas Party
in December of 2012**



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AGENDA FOR MONTHLY MEETING

07 February 2013

Meeting Begins at 1900

- Welcome and Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Guests
- Member Training
- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- FC Reports
- Staff Officer Reports
- Committee Reports
- Old Business
- New Business
- Honors & Awards Presentations
- Comments - Members and Guests
- Adjournment
- Fourth Cornerstone

Calendar of Upcoming Events

January 24 thru 27 – Strictley Sail – Navy Pier

February 7 – Division 35 Meeting

April 7 thru 14 – D9 Symposium – Dearborn, MI

Division 35 meets at **1900** on the First Thursday of every month, except December, at USCG Calumet Harbor Station. Use parking across the street from the Station

Visitors are Welcome!

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