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DIVISION COMMANDER
Tom Mullally

DIVISION VICE COMMANDER
Rich Persiani

February, 2011

Commander's Quarters Tom Mullally DCDR

Ever notice how the bulk of our business starts in January and the ground work laid in that first month dictates our course up to about May? Boat Shows and other Public Affair events are starting or are already being planned within the first 2 weeks of the new year. Change of Watch ceremonies are in full swing after January 1st. Vessel Exam blitz's are being scheduled. Public Education classes are already scheduled or soon to be scheduled. Member Training, for those with required PQSs, are already establishing target dates. Program Visits are being assigned and scheduled. Budget planning, fellowship endeavors and the end of the year Awards Committees are already being laid out and set. And the ever pending "Dues" are due.

Heck – it's not even thirty one days into the year.

All levels within the Chain of Leadership are busy and taxed to achieve the goals that have been set in front of them or that they wish to achieve. From the Commodore to the Member, a new year means new work. Maybe the same tasks as last year, maybe new responsibilities, maybe new personal goals or achievements; but something is in the works at all levels. The Flotilla Commanders are usually the ones taxed to "achieve everything." The Vice Flotilla Commanders are there to support the Flotilla Commander in the event they must assume that role; and, assist in guidance for the Flotilla Staff Officer. The Flotilla Staff Officer has to allocate the resources and materials to achieve the goals set in front of them. And the "Member" – the deck plate – believe it or not, it's all on your shoulders to accomplish **all** of this.

And all this work means that there should be lots of hours recorded for your efforts. Last year, Commodore Ross stated that we were down 25% in the number of recorded hours from 2010. FSO-ISs, please insure your Flotilla gets credit for all the hours they perform.

It's a new year. Every day counts. Every hour counts (hopefully recorded). But most importantly, **EVERY MEMBER COUNTS!**

To the Division – my best of wishes in 2012!

Vice Commander's Desk Rich Persiani VCDR

I want to welcome Division 35 to a New Year and new challenges. This is going to be a busy year. We can achieve our goals with the help of all our shipmates. I would like to see more Members taking advantages of the training that Division 35 is doing at Mead.

We would also like to see more Members get involved at the Division. This is your Division and we need your help. All Members are welcome to come to our Division meetings. Each meeting is scheduled for the first Thursday of each month at 1900 Hours.

I want to thank all of our Division Staff Officers for your commitment to the Division. I know many of you have other obligations with your Flotillas. Flotilla Staff Officers -- if you need anything, please contact your Staff Officer counterparts at the Division level.

Finance Reuben Barrett SO-FN

Happy New Year!

There are three ways to increase the bottom line and/ or income for your Flotilla.

- 1) Increase your income/revenue (contributor receipts/donations and/ or from PE efforts)
- 2) Decrease the outgoing funds/expenses/other liabilities (spend less)
- 3) Working both one and two together will also serve to increase income.

**Member Training
Mike Scott SO-MT**

Division Weekly Training

Saturday training continues at the Mead Westvaco Warehouse (Building 8) Training Room, 1400 East 98th Street, Chicago, IL 60617. Please send a list of the names of your flotilla members who will be attending each session to SO-MT about four (4) days before each session, so we can plan food and space appropriately.

- 2/11 **AUXINFO for the Members** *presented by Mike Scott*. How to make get useful information from AUXINFO, and check the status of members.
- 2/18 **Bridge Verifications** *presented by Mike Scott*. What do we look for when checking bridges? How do we gather the information effectively? Where do the reports go? How does the credit get into AUXDATA? Flotillas will have an opportunity to request assignments for Division 35's Area of Responsibility.
- 2/25 **Vessel Examiner Workshop** (4 hour training) *presented by Gary Markle, DSO-VE assisted by George Heinz, SO-VE 35*. A thorough review for qualified examiners and a good introduction for members who are studying to qualify. (NOTE: Members are expected to have completed study of the VE resource materials available from the internet prior to attending this session.)
- 3/3 **Program Visitor Workshop** *presented by Shelley Markle assisted by Kathy Chappelle, SO-PV 35*. How does a member get started as a Program Visitor (previously Marine Dealer Visitor)? What makes a successful program visit?
- 3/10 **Aids to Navigation Verification** – Qualification as an Aid Verifier, what is expected from an Aid Verification. Where do the reports go? How does the information get into AUXDATA? Who will be performing the verifications in 2012?
- 3/31 **Rescue 21 at Station Calumet Harbor** *presented by Maryellen Begley, SO-CM 35*. What are the capabilities of Rescue 21? How is it being implemented at Calumet Harbor for 2012? Followed by **1-Hour TCT**.
- 4/14 **New Member Orientation** *presented by Mike Scott & staff*. A condensed version of the New Member Boot Camp formerly presented at District Conferences. Activity paths and training opportunities will be explored.

National Web Site

The National CGAUX web site is in a process of transition. The Member Training link to Operational Specialty Course material is not working. Use this address for Specialty Course materials: <http://college.cgauxnet.us/program/training>

Division 35 Change of Watch

2011 Awards

Vessel Safety Checks

David Bossert (185)
Enoch Clarkebey (88)
Edward Fahrner (67)

Instructor Hours

Thomas Mullally (26.5)
Robert Bassett (21.5)
James Bell (21.0)

Crew Hours

James Bell (265.0)
Dianne Dolezal (195.4)
Maryellen Begley (126.5)

Public Affairs Hours

Janice Jones (173.8)
Enoch Clarkebey (70.1)
Robert Bassett (68.0)

Program Visits

Kathleen Chappelle (161)
Gerhardt Schultz (12)

Public Education Aide Hours

Allen Bates (18.45)
Richard Chappelle (17.45)
Kathleen Chappelle (15.75)

Form 7029 Hours (Miscellaneous)

Michael Scott (1624.0)
Ruth Aurigemma (1063.35)
Emmanul Harris (991.0)

Coxswain Hours

Michael Scott (326.2)
Richard Tamraz (124.1)
Thomas Paris (95.5)

Bouys at Rest



Flotilla 35-06 had a photo contest at their January 24 meeting. The winner was Rhonda Rush with the above picture. The prize was a \$40 gift certificate for uniform purchases. This photo contest will be an annual event using printed images of Auxiliary activities

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AGENDA FOR MONTHLY MEETING

01 March 2012

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

01 March Division Meeting – Station Calumet

05 April Division Meeting – Station Calumet

19 – 25 May RBS Week

21 July Chicago Mackinac Race

18 – 19 August Chicago Air & Water Show

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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