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DC-L	Logistics	Bill Swank
DC-P	Prevention	Joel Aberbach
DC-R	Response	Jim Shea

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65	Miami South	Armando Framil
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Cover Photograph: “The Hudsons”: Judith Hudson, Division 6 Commander (in front), and her husband John Ciampa, Staff Officer-Secretary Records (in back), standing in front of the USCGC Hudson at Station Miami Beach, Florida, in June 2010.  Photo by Vicki Aponte.

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From the Bridge

Synergy Achieves!

Division Commanders have a way of strongly requesting that everyone set goals for the year, write them down, report on them, and hopefully overcome all of the obstacles (that inevitably happen) to achieve them...especially your current DCDR. Because I don't believe in asking others to do things that I am not willing to do, I set the same standards for myself.



One of my top priority goals this year was to encourage, promote, request, and even push a little to get flotillas to join forces, share resources, get to know one another, and experience how much can be accomplished when synergy takes place. I worked at this, but as you know, cooperation and collaboration comes when it is the idea of the people directly involved. My efforts had some success, but again, it was you—the members, along with flotilla and division leaders—that really made this happen. There certainly were shared events and patrols with comments coming back to me about how much fun it was to get to know members from other flotillas. That is great, and I really hope there is a lot more of that in 2011, but I want to tell you about some stellar examples of sharing and supporting one another to everyone's benefit.

Monica Zima, our Division Member Training Officer, set a rigorous schedule of AUXOP courses this year to be presented from the Division level. Although it was a *lot* of work, Monica will be the first to tell you how satisfying it was to lead these successful classes. She let me know how much members enjoyed getting to know members from other flotillas—that it was a *new spirit de corps* that developed among the participants of these classes. She called it a real morale booster.

Sofy Rios, Public Education Officer, Flotilla 69, needed to re-start the Public Education (PE) program in 69, which had been totally dormant for the last two years, so she called Henry Cespedes, a very experienced and excellent PE instructor for Flotilla 67. Henry has always been most willing and gracious to help others, so they planned joint PE sessions to enable 69 to qualify more instructors and to fill in the teaching segments where the knowledge was not as great for the current 69 instructors. Everyone had a great time, the classes were big successes, and the 69 public education program is now in a very active condition. It worked so well that they plan more of the same for 2011.

Félix García, Flotilla Staff Officer (FSO) for Member Training for Flotilla 63 and a Qualification Examiner (QE), learned that 69 could use some assistance preparing for boat crew qualifying examinations. So, Félix, in addition to his commitment to train 63 members, spent several weeks and tens of hours teaching, coaching, and mentoring prospective boat crew members from 69. Félix also was serving as the FSO for Marine Safety and for Finances in addition to all the regular QE duties he contributes. Because Félix really “knows his stuff” and knows how to teach and motivate, all his mentees were successful in obtaining their boat crew certifications. More happy members.

Those are just three examples of our Division members coming together for the good of all, working hard to achieve objectives, but having a lot of fun doing it. My congratulations to all involved in reaching out not only to support your own flotilla mates but also to make new friends and help others within the Division. So, these members achieved a goal I had set (without my help), and without even knowing that was one of my objectives. Hip, hip, hooray for all of you. If you have not tried working with other flotillas, try it. You will like it! 🌐 **Happy Holidays to all of you, and thank you most sincerely for all you do!**

Judith Hudson, DCDR 6

Highlight: Fond Farewells 2010

A Retirement: Captain James O. Fitton, Commander, USCG Sector Miami



The “Before” Photographs: Captain James O. Fitton receives a gift from Divisions 3, 5, and 6, and Auxiliary Sector Coordinator Bill Tejero (above); his Legion of Merit awarded “for exceptionally meritorious conduct” (below left); and the names and locations of all the Flotillas in Divisions 3, 5, and 6 etched into the propeller (below right). All photos by Vicki Aponte of Flotilla 6-11.



The “After” Photograph: Mr. James O. Fitton (left), a few weeks after his retirement from active duty service in the U.S. Coast Guard, enjoys the Change of Command ceremony for his friend Lt. John M. Corbett.

Need we say more...?

A Change of Command: Lt. John M. Corbett, Commander, USCG Station Miami Beach



Above left: Lt. John M. Corbett, Commander, USCG Station Miami Beach, at his Change of Command ceremony. Above right: A gift appreciating Lt. Corbett's many contributions to the life of USCG Auxiliary Division 6. Photos by Vicki Aponte of Flotilla 6-11.

Highlight: Boat Theft and Human Smuggling

Perspective from a Special Investigator

Miami Beach, Florida: Division 6 welcomed a very special guest at its October monthly meeting: Richard Wickliffe, CPCU, ARM, Team Manager of the Special Investigative Unit of the State Farm insurance company. With many qualifications in the field of insurance and fraud—and more than a decade of experience—Mr. Wycliffe has gained unique insight into the nature of this persistent and growing problem. His presentation covered many different topics, including observations, considerations, and insights; moral liability issues; dangerous conditions; associated crimes; relevant laws; and new information and trends. At the end, during the question-and-answer period, he addressed several Auxiliarist concerns by clarifying some of the more complicated matters. 🇺🇸

Source: Raúl Fernández-Calienes, SO-PB 6.



Above: Members of Division 6 listen attentively to Richard Wickliffe. Photo by Raúl Fernández-Calienes, Staff Officer for Publications, Division 6.

Roaring Skies at Wings over Homestead

Audri Ivery Amoro
Division 6 Staff Officer for Public Affairs

On November 6th and 7th, more than 400,000 spectators flocked to the 2010 *Wings Over Homestead Airshow* at the Homestead Air Reserve Base. The Blue Angels, the Geico Skytypers Airshow Team, and the Air Force F-16 Demo Team were just a few of the performers that demonstrated jaw-dropping acrobatic stunts for the public.

In addition to watching bi-planes and jets perform daring maneuvers, airshow attendees also had the opportunity to view several interactive displays, take a shot at the rock climbing walls, and even climb aboard the U.S. Coast Guard's HH 65 Dolphin helicopter, a twin-engine helicopter used for Search and Rescue missions.

Planes on display included a Delta Airlines Boeing 757, a Rockwell B-1 Bone, and a vintage Eastern Airlines DC-7B passenger jet.


Also in attendance were the U.S. Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary members from Flotillas 61 and 6-11. The Auxiliary members spoke with the public about safety on the water and provided information on free vessel safety checks.



Photo by Audri Ivery Amoro, Staff Officer for Public Affairs, Division 6.

“We really enjoyed meeting with people and helping to raise awareness about the importance of boating safety,” said Mr. George Zima, Flotilla Commander 61.

Members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary also took pictures with families alongside the Coast Guard's 25' Response Boat-Small (RBS). “Some even expressed an interest in joining the Auxiliary,” said Monica Zima, Staff Officer for Member Training of Division 6. “It was a good day, and the weather was perfect for the event,” she added.

The airshow was the Air Reserve Base's second show in 18 years. 

Above: A U.S. Coast Guard HH-65 Dolphin helicopter at the 2010 Wings over Homestead event.



Above: The tail assembly of a U.S. Coast Guard aircraft at the 2010 Wings over Homestead event.
Photo by Audri Ivery Amaro, Staff Officer for Public Affairs, Division 6.

Pull-Tabs: A Worthy Coast Guard Initiative

Joel Aberbach
Staff Officer for Marine Safety, Division 6

Several years ago, we discovered a great local cause we became a participant in. The Ronald McDonald House, at Jackson Memorial Hospital, collects aluminum pull-tabs, sells them to a recycling company, and uses the dollars received for them to pay the every day operating expense of the House.

Thanks to our members, Station Miami Beach, Sector Miami, and friends in Division 3, we have collected—and will continue collect—hundreds of pounds of pull tabs (approximately 1,600 tabs in a pound).

This is a no-brainer for us. No PQS to worry about, no financial cost, very little risk (no need to submit a GAR), and almost no effort. It is truly a great, feel-good initiative for us.

Please bring your tabs to the Division meetings, and help bulk up our next delivery.

Many thanks. 🍷



Above: Ruben D. Paz

A Trip to Freedom

Ruben D. Paz
Vice Flotilla Commander 69

It was about 10:00 p.m. on June 28th, 1970, when we finally placed our homemade raft on the ocean.

This action ended a long two years of preparation. During this time, I had done careful planning about the safest way to leave my country of origin, Cuba, now under a severe communist regime. I was 22 years old. Legally no male between the ages of 15 and 27 is allowed to leave the country.

My only hope was to build my own means of transportation to the United States. Because building a boat would be complicated and time-consuming, I decided to construct a raft. I used four large (truck size) inner tubes tied together with a long rope. For propulsion, I made four wooden oars. The end result was a crude and fragile raft, but all of

my hopes for freedom were there...

Including myself, there were seven young men who become involved in this adventure. None of us knew anything about handling a boat on the ocean. As a guide, we planned to use the Sun during the day and the North Star at night.

We waited for the darkness of the night to take our vessel to the ocean, and as we pushed the raft into the water, one of the men decided to stay behind because of the small size of the raft. We said our last good bye to him. As the humid wind blew against our faces, our sense of fear seemed to float in the night air...

For hours, we rowed hard in our effort to put the greatest distance between ourselves and the shore. We gradually learned how to row to the same rhythm. We were afraid of being spotted by the Marine Patrol. However, we knew that the raft was too small to be discovered by radar. By the next morning, we were slowly moving farther away from our native land.

We saw all kinds of marine life, including a huge turtle that tried to come aboard the raft. At night, thousands of phosphorescent plankton flashed in the night waters. Our constant companions were sharks, who no doubt followed in hopes of having one of us for dinner.

For the first day or two, we expected to be rescued quickly by a ship or an airplane from a free country. Unfortunately, we discovered that our tiny raft could not be seen, even by ships passing next to us.

By the fifth day, our food supplies were completely gone (we had brought only six cans of condensed milk and a gallon of water). Our bodies were weak and exhausted. In the afternoon, the heat was unbearable. At night, we trembled from the cold like leaves in a heavy wind.

On the sixth day, we were caught in a storm. The lightning and strong winds lasted for five hours. We stopped rowing and tied our bodies tightly to the raft with ropes. When the rain and the wind finally calmed down, we were even more exhausted and desperate.

One of the men suggested that we pray. Nothing else was left to do, so all of us pray together. Our long silence was interrupted only by the water splashing against the raft.

The next day, we used all our strength to row farther. The Sun was bright, the sea calm and peaceful. Almost at the end of the day, a large ship approached within two miles from us. In spite of our frantic rowing, it passed into the growing darkness.

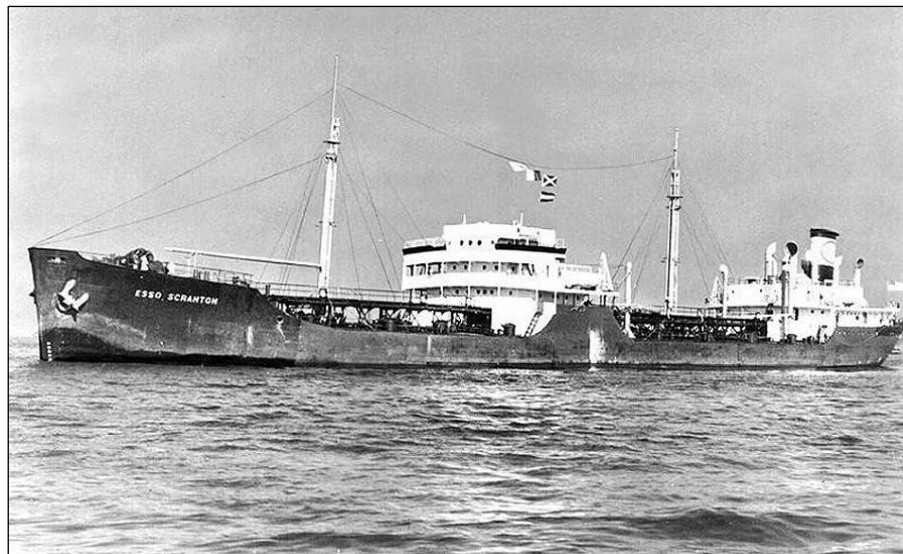
As we looked at the dim horizon, another ship of the same proportions appeared. In a few minutes, the *Esso Scranton* was passing in front of our eyes. Once again, we rowed desperately and yelled at the crew with our weak voices.

Thank God, as our hope was fading away, one of the crew saw us, he ran into the bridge and seconds later a column of heavy smoke came out of the ship's stacks as the loud horn of the ship sounded with three long roaring and menacing sounds, but to our ears it was the sound of angels....The ship slowly stopped and came to our rescue. This was one of the most wonderful moments of my life.

We soon learned that we were only ten miles from Miami Beach. A U.S. Coast Guard vessel quickly came to take us to the base on land (Station Miami Beach).

As we approached the shore, I noticed all kinds of fireworks lightening the sky, at that time; it seemed to be an exciting welcome for us. Once on land, I discovered the real situation. We had arrived on July Fourth, Independence Day for this great country of freedom.

Today I celebrate this day with double joy. It is not only a National Holiday, but also the day that I gained my freedom. 🌊



Right: The Esso Scranton.
Photos by Ruben D. Paz.

Ruben Paz – A Man You Should Know

Daniel R. Ochsenschlager
Immediate Past Vice Flotilla Commander 69

Fellow Division Members,

You all know Ruben Paz as our *Flotilla Vice Commander*, but there is much more you should know about him. Above is Ruben's account of his voyage to Freedom, from Cuba to the United States. It was this journey that inspired Ruben to join the *U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary* and to give back to this *Great Country* of ours. Ruben is a man we can all learn from and respect. 🌊



Above: Shon Limor from USCG Air Station Clearwater in Florida. Photos by Fred Ross.

District 7 Aux Air

Fred Ross
Flotilla Staff Officer for Materials 69

During the month of September 2010, United States Coast Guard (USCG) District 7 (D7) requested the support of Aux Air. They had been tasked with supplying a photo platform in support of a National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) project. The planning and air assets provided by D7 and the Auxiliary Air (Aux Air) is a critical component for the development of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) atlas for South Florida.

Funding for the South Florida ESI is provided by NOAA's Office of Response and Restoration (OR&R), Emergency Response Division (ERD); the USCG; and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Fish and Wildlife Research Institute (FWRI).

The purpose of the aerial photography mission was to capture oblique images of all shoreline in South Florida. The oblique images will aid in classifying the shoreline based on type. Each shoreline type has a specific code that will be entered into a spatially enabled GIS (Geographic Information System) database. Research Planning, Inc. (RPI) will create for NOAA an Environmental Sensitivity Index database, which will provide a concise summary of coastal resources at risk to oil spills. The ESI data will include the ESI shoreline classification as well as biological and socio-economic resources. This product will be available to the public through NOAA's Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (<http://response.restoration.noaa.gov/index.php>). It will include data representative of South Florida's shoreline types (Sand Beach, Mangrove, Riprap, Man Made).

The use of Active duty and crew would have put an enormous strain on the Air Station involved. Step in Aux Air. AAC J. J. Samuelson, of Air Station Miami, was contacted, and he began to coordinate this project. We are also in a period when our assets are limited. The solution was a joint effort from Aux Air Station Miami, Aux Air Station Clearwater, and Aux Air Station Savannah. Crews and facilities were assembled and schedules were developed.

Those who conducted the flights were Marvin Dailey, Daniel Ochsenschlager, Fouad "Sam" Samaha, Gerald Metcalf, Fred Ross, and Shon Limor from Air Station Clearwater. We also had Mike Renuart from Air Station Savannah and David Elliot from Air Station Miami—ready to finish up the week.

This mission was a little different from our usual patrols. Though we were conducting our flights within our normal search pattern altitudes, we were not flying normal patterns. A great deal of maneuvering was needed to follow the shorelines of all of South Florida. This allowed Mr. Minter the ability to photograph all of the shorelines throughout the Keys and the southern

peninsula. It was necessary to coordinate with all of the airports in South Florida, including the military. We also made contact with the personnel at the nuclear power plant at Turkey Point. Local knowledge played a big part in this operation.

The facilities used were a Twin Comanche for the offshore areas of the Dry Tortugas, a Cessna 182 for the Southern Keys, and a Cessna 210 for the upper Keys, southern peninsula, and up to the Port of Miami.

I would like to thank Doc Truthan for the use of his aircraft and AAC Lemon for arranging to allow Shon Limor the opportunity to fly with us.

This project went from the 7th through the 16th of October of 2010. Blessed with good weather and dedicated crews, we were able to finish all that was requested of us by midday on the 12th of October. That was four days ahead of schedule, even including a Presidential TFR (Temporary Flight Restriction)! 🌀



Above: One of the Aux Air mission's Cessna aircraft is visible in its own mirror.

Education and Member Training in Division 6

Miami, Florida: Education and member training are important aspects of the Auxiliary's work. Throughout this year, Division 6 has carried out numerous education sessions for the public, including Boating Skills and Seamanship (BS&S) and About Boating Safely (ABS). Also, under the overall management of Monica Zima, Staff Officer for Member Training, Division 6 has conducted member training in many different areas, including Aids Verification, CPR, and First Aid; Marine Safety (IIMS), Patrols (AUXPAT), and Seamanship (AUXSEA), with proctoring for several exams; as well as numerous Team Coordination Training (TCT) sessions for approximately 50 Active Duty, Reservist, and Auxiliarist personnel. Five new Boat Crew members qualified in November.


Besides certifying many members in new areas and having them contribute to missions and events in these areas, other benefits are new instructors for classes and the creation of close bonds among members of different flotillas. This has created a true sense of teamwork and unity within Division 6. Throughout next year, the Division plans more training activities including Advanced Coastal Navigation, Auxiliary Search Coordination and Execution (AUXSC&E), and other topics. 🌀 *Source: Judith Hudson, DCDR 6.*

Division Election Results for 2011

Miami Beach, Florida: Division 6 held its annual elections for officers for the 2011 year on October 28, 2010. Judith Hudson was re-elected as Division Commander, and Thomas Walker was re-elected as Division Vice Commander. 🌀

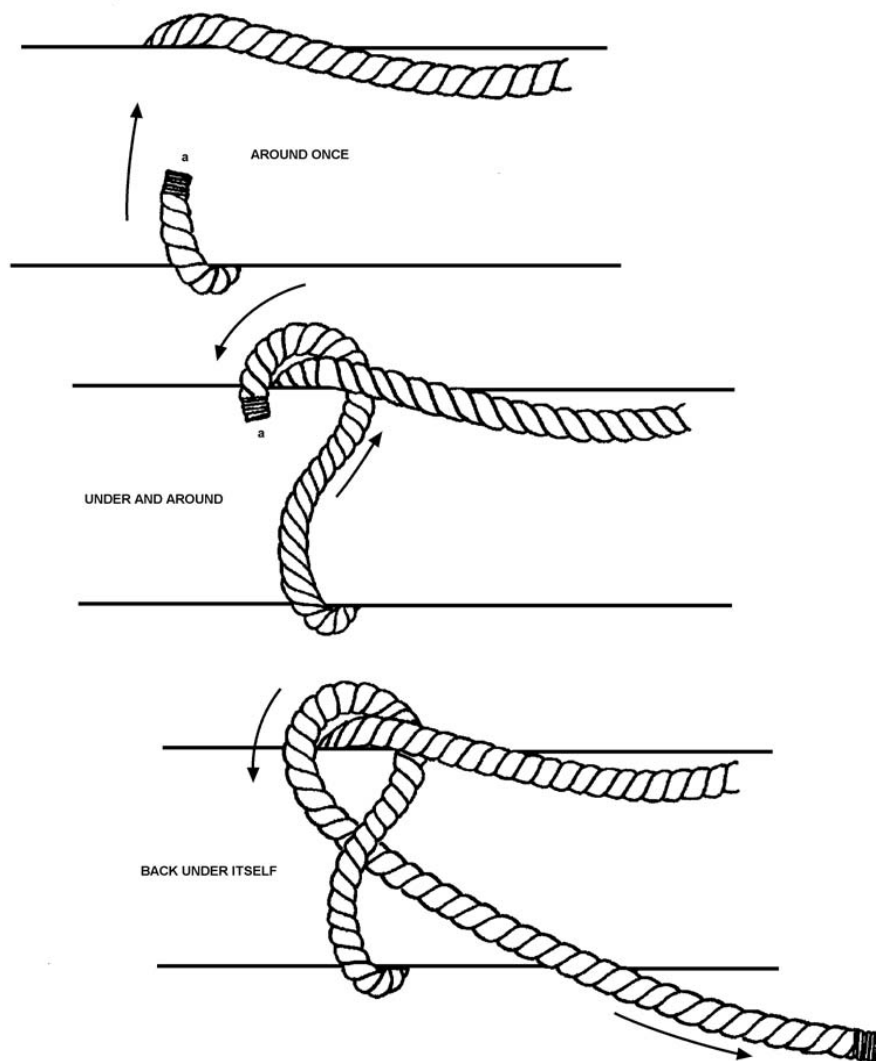
Know Your Knots: The Half-Hitch

Knots are an important part of an Auxiliarist's knowledge bank, especially if he or she is part of a boat crew. In this issue, we feature the "half-hitch" knot, another useful one.

"Hitches are used for temporarily securing a line to objects such as a ring or eye. One of their advantages is their ease in untying. The half hitch is the smallest and simplest hitch. It should be tied only to objects having a right-hand pull. Since a single half hitch may slip easily, care should be taken in cases where it will encounter stress."  Source: *Boat Crew Seamanship Manual*, COMDTINST M16114.5C, 2003, pp. 7-29, 7-30.

Step Procedure

- 1 Pass the line around the object.
- 2 Bring the working end "a" around the standing part and back under itself.





*USCG Auxiliary, Division Six
2011 Change of Watch & Awards Brunch
Sunday, January 9th, 2011*

*The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Division 6
requests the pleasure of your company at the 2011
Change of Watch and Awards Brunch to be held at the*

*Miami Shores Country Club
10000 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami Shores, Florida 33138*

10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

*Uniform of the Day: Tropical Blue Long
Civilians: Business Casual*

*For payments received by December 20, 2010: \$35/person
For payments received after December 20, 2010, or at the door: \$50/person*

*Price includes unlimited brunch buffet including desert and coffee.
A cash bar will be available. Free valet parking is available.*


*Checks should be made payable to: USCG Auxiliary Division 6.
Checks should be mailed to: Elaine Davis, SO-FN,
9721 East Bay Harbor Drive, PH, Bay Harbor, FL. 33154*

In Memoriam




Above: Sunset on Biscayne Bay, Florida. Photo by Luis Avila of Flotilla 63 (Coconut Grove, Florida).

Remembering John Polek


Miami, Florida: U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Division 6 remembers the life and contributions of John Polek, of Flotilla 69 (Opa Locka, Florida) and of New York, who passed away in the last week of September 2010. His family held a service in New Jersey in early October 2010. 
Source: David Parise.

Member Anniversaries

Auxiliary members reaching anniversaries in November of 2010 include William Wilson of Flotilla (FL) 65 (35 years), Adalberto Munet of FL 69 (5 years), and Paul Storti (5 years).


Anniversaries in December 2010 include Jose Baez Sr. of FL 61 (10 years), Bradley Compton of FL 67 (5 years), Arthur Ewald of FL 67 (5 years), Maria Ewald of FL 67 (5 years), Rolando Gutierrez of FL 67 (5 years), Robert Hanrahan of FL 67 (5 years), Stacey Hanrahan of FL 67 (5 years), Henry Kaufman of FL 67 (5 years), Robert Mackarvich of FL 67 (5 years), Carl Saintcyr of FL 67 (5 years), and Frantz Thomas of FL 69 (5 years). 

Division 6 and the USCGC Baranof

Miami Beach, Florida: Division Six, thanks to Carol Ann Lane, sends packages to the USCGC Baranof (WPB 1318) every couple of months with CDs, books, gum, candy, playing cards, etc. to help make life a little better on the water. Contact Carol Ann, and she can tell you how each Division 6 member can participate in the donation of items. 

Right: The USCGC Baranof in dry dock. Photo from *Following Wake*, October-December 2010, p. 10.



Late addition: Connie Lind and Noel Stout are two valued Auxiliarists who also participated in the Division 6 "Orientation & Processing Event" held on Saturday, October 2, 2010. 

2011 Division 6 – Flotilla Elected Officers

Flotilla	Position	Name
61	FC	Robin Nin
61	VFC	Ricardo Torres
63	FC	George Navarini
63	VFC	Félix García
65	FC	Armando Framil
65	VFC	Anthony Lapicola
67	FC	Mario Gutierrez
67	VFC	Richard High
69	FC	Daniel Ochsenschlager
69	VFC	Ruben Paz
6-10	FC	Robert Bartley
6-10	VFC	Jacques Benveniste
6-11	FC	Marcelo Freire
6-11	VFC	Monica Zima

2011 Division 6 – Staff Officers

Position	Member
DCDR	Judith Hudson
VCDR	Tom Walker
SO-CM	Norberto Menendez
DC-P	Joel Aberbach
SO-CS	Fabio Tomasello
SO-FN	Elaine Davis
SO-HR	Manny Estrela
SO-IS	Matt Paulini
SO-MA	Ray Lavin
SO-MT	Monica Zima
SO-MS	Joel Aberbach
SO-NS	John Ciampa
SO-OP & DC-R	Jim Shea
SO-PA & DC-L	Audri Amoro
SO-PB	Vacant
SO-PE	Tom James
SO-RSBPV	Roly Gutierrez
SO-SR & Parliment	John Ciampa
SO-VE	Julian Corrales
Historian	Victoria Aponte
INSP'L LDR	Mary Newman
IPDCP	Ed Burbank

Staff Officers 2010

Abbreviation	Responsibility	Name
DCDR	Division Commander	Judith Hudson
VCDR	Division Vice Commander	Tom Walker
DC-L	Chief-Logistics	Bill Swank
DC-P	Chief-Prevention	Joel Aberbach
DC-R	Chief-Response	Jim Shea
SO-CM	Communications	Alvaro Bernal
SO-CS	Communications Services	Fabio Tomasello
SO-FN	Finance	Elaine Davis
SO-HR	Human Resources	Manny Estrela
SO-IS	Information Services	Matthew Paulini
SO-MA	Materials	Ray Lavin
SO-MT	Member Training	Monica Zima
SO-MS	Marine Safety	Joel Aberbach
SO-NS	Navigation Services	Frank Lane
SO-OP	Operations	Jim Shea
SO-PA	Public Affairs	Audri Ivery Amoro
SO-PB	Publications	Raúl Fernández-Calienes
SO-PE	Public Education	Tom James
SO-PV	Program Visitor	James Simpson
SO-SR	Secretary/Records	John Ciampa
and Parl.	and Parliamentarian	
SO-VE	Vessel Examination	Erik Kozak
Historian	Historian	Victoria Aponte
INSP'L LDR	Inspirational Leader	Mary Newman
Med. Coord.	Medical Coordinator	William Tejeiro
IPDCDR	Immediate Past DCDR	Eduardo Burbank

Division and Flotilla Meetings 2010

Unit	Date & Time	Location
Division 6 Miami-Dade	4 th Thursday 7:30 p.m.	USCG Base Miami Beach, Mess Deck 100 MacArthur Causeway Island Miami Beach, FL. 33139
Flotilla 61 Homestead	1 st Thursday 7:00 p.m.	USCG MSST Miami 29050 Coral Sea Boulevard Bldg 718, Homestead AFB Homestead, FL. 33139
Flotilla 63 Coconut Grove	1 st Monday 8:00 p.m.	Coconut Grove Sailing Club 2990 South Bayshore Drive Miami, FL. 33133
Flotilla 65 South Miami	1 st Tuesday 8:00 p.m.	South Miami Elks Club 6304 S.W. 78th Street (by Taco Bell) 1 block from Highway 1 & 61 st Street
Flotilla 67 Coral Gables	1 st Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Dinner & Meeting	Havana Miami Restaurant 8800 S.W. 56th Street Miami, FL. 33165
Flotilla 69 Opa Locka	1 st Monday 7:30 p.m.	Air Station Miami N.W. 149 th State Road Opa Locka, FL. 33054
Flotilla 6-10 North Bay	2 nd Monday 7:30 p.m.	Sunny Isles Community Center 18115 North Bay Road Sunny Isles, FL. 33160
Flotilla 6-11 Miami	1 st Tuesday 7:30 p.m.	USCG Base Miami Beach, Mess Deck 100 MacArthur Causeway Island Miami Beach, FL. 33139

Calendar

January 9, 2011 (Sunday)—Division 6 Change of Watch is held at the Miami Shores Country Club, 10000 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami Shores, Florida, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

January 15, 2011 (Saturday)—Seventh District New Leaders Training Day, McVey House, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

January 23, 2011—N-Train 2011 runs this week in St. Louis, MO.; <http://www.cgauxa.org/ntrain/>

January 28, 2011—The modern U.S. Coast Guard celebrates its 92nd anniversary!

February 11-13, 2011—C-School Auxiliary Public Affairs and Marketing Training (AUX-12) will take place at USCG Air Station Miami, Opa Locka, Florida.

2011—The Auxiliary National Conference will take place in Charlotte, N.C.

Today – Remember to send articles, news, event notes, and pictures of Division and Flotilla activities for future issues of this publication!



MIAMI BEACH, FL. – Division 6 elected and appointed staff at the end of year meeting at Station Miami Beach in November 2010 included the following (from left to right): John Ciampa, SO-SR; Dan Ochenschlager, VFC 69; Manny Estrela, SO-HR; Bob Bartley, FC 6-10; Mary Newman, Division Inspirational Leader; Joel Aberbach, SO-MS; Mandy Framil, FC 65; Robin Nin, VFC 61; Judith Hudson, DCDR-6; Elaine Davis, SO-FN; Monica Zima, SO-MT; Jim Shea, SO-OP; Bill Swank, SO-PA; George Zima, FC 61; Ray Lavin, SO-MA; George Navarini, VFC 63; and Ruben Paz, VFC 69 (elect). Photo by Vicki Aponte of Flotilla 6-11.

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