## ADSO-PA (South) D7 REPORT

Report for Month: December Submitted by: Lourdes R. Oliveras, PA-I

Position: ADSO-PA South D7 Divisions: Divisions 1, 13 and 16

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### **US Coast Guard Support:**

**Division 1**: No report submitted.

**Division 13:** 13-1 Auxiliarists Ed Pratt and Dorothy Galligan , helped Sector Key West for the Christmas parade and built the" Key West Express", which won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. The flotilla also provided a patrol for the parade. Air patrol (Tiger 5) located a capsized boat with 3 POB's and directed a rescue boat from Station Islamorada to the site. Tiger 3 remained on station until the arrival of the rescue boat. 13-2 Conducted 3 MS patrols, 2 safety patrols and 8 air patrols between 2 observers from the flotilla assisted in the apprehension of a TOI that was cited for unauthorized entry into Cuba assisted in the interception of immigrants.13-3 Evaluating changes to Chief's Mess in Sector Key West.

**Division 16:** Fl16-1: USCG Air Station BQN – sixteen (16) missions were flown on December.

These missions included thirteen (13) MOM, one (1) SAR, one (1) Logistics and one (1) Operations Training. Auxiliarists spent many hours at the RIO St. Croix Port State Control Dispatching. Provided safety zone for annual Christmas Boat Parade in Christiansted with an estimated 4,000 spectators. Auxiliarists Charles Fischer were appointed ADSO-AV-AAC and Douglas Armstrong as ADSO-AVX for Air Station BQN. Fl16-02: No report submitted. Fl16-03: No report submitted

### Flags and Ceremonies:

**Division1:** No report submitted

**Division 13**: Fl13-2 A congratulatory letter from the National Commodore of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary was presented at an Eagle Scout Ceremony by SO-PA Sue Redding.

**Division 16**: Fl 16-1Promotional ceremony held at Fort Christiansted for BWC Ian Eady.

<u>Community Support</u>: All three Divisions are actively working on Public Education courses- either teaching them or promoting up-coming ones.

**Division 1:** No report submitted

**Division 13:** Fl13-2 VE's were performed at the city marina, several outdoor resorts and at Galaway Bay. Offered a BS & S Course and graduated 10 students. Fl13-3 At Venture Out, ten Auxiliarists participated on a VE Day where five VE's performed a total of 49 vessel examinations and had five people signed up for their next BS & S Course. A Beach clean-up activity was conducted. The next BS & S Course is schedule to start January 15<sup>th</sup> and 26 students are already signed-in. 32 Marine visits were performed. Fl13-8 The new Sheriff Rick Ramsey and State Attorney Catherine Vogel will be the Guest Speakers at the next Flotilla Meeting.

**Division 16:** Fl 16-1Active Hours spent on American Waterway Watch Program. A combined holiday social event in appreciation of team efforts held in Frederiksted for the USCG, Auxiliary, University and the Community.

# <u>Local Media Involvement</u>: All three Divisions are actively promoting PE classes and the Auxiliary in local media.

Division 1: No report submitted

**Division 13**: Fl 13-2 SO-PA S. Redding worked with local media to create a video educating the public on Auxiliary Air Operations. Local newspapers carried photos of the BS&S class graduates. Local newspapers published photos of the new elected FC Gallagher and VFC Mattern along with the new elected DCDR E. Metcalf. Local newspapers published photos and article of the Eagle Scout Ceremony where SO-PA S. Redding presented a congratulatory letter from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary National Commodore. Fl13-8 FC Fincannon arranged with the Sheriff for lighted road signs entering and throughout the Keys saying "Wear your life vest".

**Division 16:** Fl16-1: Print media coverage of promotional ceremony and boat parade. Two (2) event articles published in the D-7 Connection. Red Ribbon Week and Admiral Papp Shipmate Coin Award. Fl16-2: No report submitted. Fl16-3: No report submitted.

### **Problems and Suggested Solutions:**

**Division 1:** No report submitted.

**Division 13:** Fl 13-4 Getting the flotilla members more involved

Solution= Revitalization Plan (3 key tasks)

- 1. Redefine the Flotilla's mission
- 2. Establish mentoring and training programs
- 3. Executing a recruitment effort

**Division 16:** None

## **Recommendations:**

Nothing to report.