

## **FSO-PA Report**

**Report for Month:** May 1-31, 2012      **Submitted by:** Robert A. Fabich, Sr.

**Position:** SO-PA 16      **Flotillas:** 16-01, 16-02, 16-03

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

**16-01:** 1. CGAS BQN - 28 patrol orders flown resulted in 37 individual missions accomplished totaling 96.7 hours. This included: 23 MOM patrols totaling 74.7 hours which 17 of these patrols for 59.7 hours were in support of USCG surface assets. 1 Pollution Response mission for 1.5 hours. 11 Logistics missions for 14.8 hours. 2 LMR patrols for 5.7 hours.

2. RIO St. Croix Port State Control Vessel Screening - 12 hours

3. Sector San Juan Hurricane Drill May 23 - 8 hours

4. Safety Zone RIO support for Triathlon May 6 - 6 hours

**16-02:** 1. Sector San Juan Hurricane Drill May 23 - 8 hours

**16-03:** 1. Sector San Juan Hurricane Drill May 23 - 8 hours

### **Flags and Ceremonies:**

**16-01:** 1. Rescue 21 Acceptance Ceremony Sector San Juan May 29, 2012

**16-02:** 1. Community presentation to USCG helicopter crew for NSBW participation.

**16-03:** No activity

### **Community Support:**

**16-01:** 1. Pearl B. Larsen Elementary School - "Inky The Whale" for first graders.

2. Richard Ricardo School - "Snook" for 100 students presented by Miss St. Croix.

3. UVI - World Literature ENG 261 - Earnest Hemingway "The Old Man And The Sea", today's life jackets and USCG history - 18 student participation.

4. Miss St. Croix has personally reached out to nearly 300 adults and children thru schools, presentations, talk shows and individual contacts.

5. NSBW Just over 500 printed handouts (variety) were distributed.

6. NSBW "Ready, Set, Wear It" at Frederiksted Pier.

7. NSBW special Vessel Examination at Altuna Lagoon.

8. NSBW - 90 hours member participation

**16-02:** 1. NSBW - 15 hours planning

2. NSBW coordination with Department Of Planning and Natural Resources.

3. NSBW 1 helicopter SAR demo and public interaction with USCG Crew.

4. NSBW Static displays from Power Squadron, CG Auxiliary and Red Cross

5. NSBW Water related games and activity for kids.

6. NSBW Inflatable life raft demonstration by Caribbean Inflatables.

7. NSBW Life jacket displays and instructional information.

8. NSBW Paddle boat and swimming lesson by the Red Cross.

9. NSBW DPNR provided free hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, water and soft drinks. Part of activities for participants on Brewer's Bay Beach.

**16-03:** 1. NSBW helicopter demonstration Cruz Bay and community activities.

### **Local Media Involvement:**

**16-01:** 1. NSBW - 3 radio spots, 2 print media, 1 social media

2. 1 Aux Live, 1 Navigator Express

**16-02:** 1. 4 hrs. press release for all local media.

2. In-studio radio show on St. Thomas most popular radio talk show. Promoted the NSBW event, the Auxiliary, and the CG presence in the Virgin Islands.

3. NSBW - 2 radio spots, 3 print media
4. NSBW - photo and story submitted for Navigator Special Edition

**16-03:** None reported

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

**16-01:** 1. Appointment made to FSO-PA improved Flotilla PA duties.

2. Appointment made to SO-PA improved Division PA duties.

3. Appointment made to SO-CS improved Division CS duties.

**16-02:** 1. Media coverage response for NSBW activities was poor even with mass distribution of Pre event invitation for coverage. This is also a problem on St. Croix. SO-PA will outline an avenue to better draw media attention for all Division 16 Flotillas.

**16-03:** None

### **Recommendations:**

**16-01:** None

**16-02:** None

**16-03:** None

### **Training:**

**16-01:** 1. 3 Radio Watch Stander's certified

2. 1 Aux 21 and 23 certified

3. 1 Information System Specialist certified

**16-02:** None reported

**16-03:** None reported

### **Other:**

**16-01:** 1. Division website set-up in progress.

2. 3 entries in the USCG photo contest.

**16-02:** None

**16-03:** None