# Flotilla 091-26-02 MEETING AGENDA March 18, 2024

Station Charlevoix – 1800 hours

## 1800 hours - Aux/Active Duty Fellowship Dinner

#### Call to Order at 1900 - FC

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Visitors
- Roll call of attendees

# **Comments by Senior Chief Bradley Bishop**

#### Flotilla Commander's Remarks and Comments

• Member updates

## Approval of Minutes as published, Lynda Stolt FSO-SR February 2024 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from February 19, 2024

# Treasurer's Report - Ralph Galbraith SO-FN

#### **Staff Officer Reports- VFC**

•	FSO-ASSea Scouts	Lynda Stolt/Chris Anderson <b>Attached</b>
•	FSO-CACulinary	Lynda Stolt <b>Attached</b>
•	FSO-CMCommunications	Rich Borowicz
•	FSO-CSWebsite	Greg Weston Attached
•	FSO-DVDiversity	Kateri Janavicius
•	FSO-HRHuman Relations	Rich Borowicz
•	FSO-ISInformation Services	Antanas Janavicius
•	FSO-MAMaterials	Marla Weston Attached
•	FSO-MSMarine Safety	Eric Kesseler
•	FSO-MTMember Training	Antanas Janavicius
•	FSO-NSNavigation	Harold Severance
•	FSO-OPOperations	Glen Stolt Ops Calendar Attached
•	FSO-PAPublic Affairs	Lynda Stolt Attached
•	FSO-PBPublications	Lynda Stolt <b>Attached</b>
•	FSO-PEPublic Education	Eric Kesseler
•	FSO-PVProgram Visits	Bob Leddy
•	FSO-SRSecretary	Lynda Stolt Nothing new to report
•	FSO-VEVessel Examinations	Greg Weston

# **OLD BUSINESS-FC**

Aux Canopy

- 2024 Division 26, Charlevoix Boat School
  - o Time to prepare
  - o What's your role?

## **NEW BUSINESS - FC**

- COW for Senior Chief Brad Bishop and receiving Chief Nicholas Long.
  - o Station Charlevoix June 26, 2024 at 1100
  - o RSVP
  - o Trops preferred or Business Casual
- "Borrow a Life Jacket" program
- Uniform Inspections for all in uniform (bring your Aux ID)

## **Future Date - FC**

- D-Train March 21-24 Port Huron cancelled
- Charlevoix Boat School June 7-9, 2024.
- Bay Harbor in Water Boat Show Father's day weekend
- LOTS of Patrol dates to come.

## **Aux Training**

• TCT training scenario

## **Motion to Adjourn**

## March 2024 FSO-REPORTS

#### FSO-AS report (Lynda Stolt)

I'm in the process of researching which of our staff members need to take the Youth Protection Training (YPT) for the Boy Scouts. Glen and I have taken it and I believe our FSO-HR and one other office needs to take it in order for us to be in compliance with the SeaScouts.

#### **FSO-CA report (Lynda Stolt)**

Our training class last month was cancelled due to bad travel weather and me being a bit under the weather. We have not rescheduled it at this time but plan to very soon. Marla is one from our flotilla that is preparing for her CA1 certification. I encourage anyone who desires to directly serve our active duty in this way to get with me so we can get you started.

#### **FSO-CS report (Greg Weston)**

Here's a summary of recent revisions to the flotilla's wow.uscgaux.info pages:

- \* denotes accessible to members only # denotes newly created page
  - 1) General Revisions
    - a. Goal: increasing prominence of the most relevant information.
  - 2) Menu structure revised
    - a. Moved Boat School page to top of list for time-being.
    - b. Grouped member-only pages and publicly accessible pages
  - 3) Paddlecraft
    - a. Made picture of ACA Rules of the Road a functional link to download the actual document.
  - 4) About Flotilla 26-2 corrections (using AuxOfficer portal)
    - a. Meeting time revised to 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of month
    - b. Meeting location long/lat set to Station Charlevoix (was showing somewhere, basically, in the woods north of town)
    - c. Contact phone changed to FC's cell phone number
  - 5) \*Boat School Page
    - a. Revised reflecting 2024 information.
    - b. Added links to Mainstream and Long Blue Line articles.
  - 6) \*Operations Schedule
    - a. Completely updated with potential training opportunities based on *In-Vision* article.
    - b. Added links to third-party event homepages where available/appropriate with a disclaimer.
    - c. Improved readability and compactness.
  - 7) #Event Calendar
    - a. New public page linked to a dedicated Google Calendar.
  - 8) \*Culinary Assistance Program
    - a. Page was null.
    - b. Created a brief summary of the program with a link to the AUXCA home page.
  - 9) Newsletters/Publications
    - a. Added links to recent *In-Vision 26* and *Mainstream* issues.
    - b. Added link to Long Blue Line article on Boat School.
    - c. Removed links to older publications
  - 10) Sea Scouts
    - a. Recreated current page (a JPG image) in HTML.
    - b. HTML version is significantly crisper

- c. HTML version text now revisable as needed
- d. Added "Learn How to Join" link to national Sea Scout page
- 11) \*Connections Corner
  - a. Changed title to "Links of Interest"
  - b. More compact presentation with enhanced readability.
  - c. Added disclaimer regarding non USCG/CGAUX sites.
  - d. Added "Navigation" section.
    - i. Subsection "PDF Charts" with links to NOAA's Lake Michigan (14901) and Northern Lake Michigan (14902) charts.
    - ii. Included links to NOAA's online chart viewer and OpenCPN. OpenCPN is <u>free PC/Mac</u> software that provides, essentially, the functionality of a dedicated navigation system. OpenCPN uses NOAA's free ENC data files (link provided).
    - iii. Removed link to .png (raster) charts because they are hopelessly out-of-date (2016)
- 12) \*Member Training
  - a. Was null
  - b. Added link to Boat School
- 13) \*Member Activities
  - a. Redundant to Facebook posts?
  - b. No recent revisions
  - c. Hidden for time-being
- 14) \*Unit Announcement
  - a. Was null.
  - b. Hidden until I figured out what, if anything, we'd put there.

## **FSO-OP Report (Glen Stolt) Operations Calendar**

#### May 2024

- 18-24 National Safe Boating week
- 25-27 Memorial Day Weekend

#### June 2024

- 7-9 Charlevoix Boat School Charlevoix Training and On-water skills
- 14-16 Bay Harbor in water Boat Show Possible Patrol and Tabletop
- 22 Bay Harbor Car and Boat Show
- 23 East Jordan Freedom Fest FW Fireworks patrol
- June 27-30 Cherry Festival Air Show Patrols needed

#### July 2024

3 – Bay Harbor Fireworks Fireworks patrol

July 4 Fireworks Patrols:

TVC Cherry Festival

**Boyne City** 

Petoskey

**Harbor Springs** 

- 6 Cherry Festival Fireworks
- 13 Boyne Thunder Race Patrols L CHX, E.R, Nport, Pet/Harbor Spgs
- 20 CHX Venetian Aqua Palooza

- 22 Chicago to Mackinaw Race Stand by
- 15 Bayview to Mackinaw Race Standby
- 26 CHX Venetian Fireworks Day Patrol/escort or FW patrol
- 27 CHX Venetian Fireworks Day Patrol and escort
- 26-28 Lt Traverse Ugatta Regatta Patrol
- 28-August 6, 2024 Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival

## August 2024

July 30 – Aug 4 Roger City Nautical Festival
August 3 Elk Rapids – Harbor days Fireworks patrol
10-11 – Top O Michigan boat race Patrol
11 – Hessel Art and Boat Show
17 Jobbie Nooner -Oyster Bay, Lake Charlevoix Patrol

#### September 2024

2 – Labor Day Bridge walk tbdSeptember Paddle Antrim Patrols Needed – tbd

#### October 2024

#### **FSO-PA report (Lynda Stolt)**

Upcoming PA opportunities include:

- National Safe Boating Week (May 18-24)
- Library opportunities
- o Advertise our Boat School in June
- Bay Harbor in Water Boat Show (June 14-16)

## **FSO-PB report (Lynda Stolt)**

Plans are underway to revise and update Flotilla literature (posters and brochures)

## FSO-SR (Lynda Stolt)

Nothing new to report

#### FSO-MA (Marla Weston)

I ordered paddlecraft kits (whistle and paddle tip reflectors), available through a grant. Plan to distribute kits when offering paddlecraft vessel safety checks.