

# UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

Division 095-39, U. S. Coast Guard Station Wilmette Harbor  
10 Harbor Drive, Wilmette, IL 60091

## Division Board Meeting Agenda for 7 August, 2019

Meeting Times: Fellowship and Dinner 1900, Call to Order 1930  
Uniform of the Day is ODU. Regular Meetings are first Wednesday of the month except as noted.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by \_\_\_\_\_

**SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS and/or NEW MEMBERS:**

**Approval of the Previous Meeting MINUTES for: July, 2019**

**1st motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **2nd motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Motion Carries? Y** \_\_\_\_\_ **N** \_\_\_\_\_

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS and NEW MEMBERS:**

**DIVISION COMMANDER REPORTS: DCDR Tim Darrey**

Amy Seeley

Commodore's initiative to combat dramatic increase in drownings on the Great Lakes.

Successful July Division meeting was attended by at least 16 members. All five Flotillas were represented, a quorum was met and the Fellowship Dinner was well received. Please remember that your \$7 not only covers the cost of your dinner but helps cover the cost of the Active Duty members sharing that dinner with us.

Recruiting AND mentoring of newly recruited members, maintenance of the National HR Reporting system AAMS

Election Committees and Succession Plans – 5 Flotillas PLUS Division

Watchstanding Opportunities

Removal of Qualifications

Oshkosh update

Upcoming Surface Operations Opportunities; Swim Across America 10 August, Chicago Air & Water Show 15 – 18 August, Big Shoulder Swim 7 September, Tough Cup 28 September. There are also 2 possible additional events, one in Whiting, IN and one in 31<sup>st</sup> Street Harbor, Dates TBA.

Event Responsibilities

Hot Weather Uniform

- o Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey
- o Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel
- o Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Daniel O'Connell
- o Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa
- o Flotilla 39-10: FC Brent Barker, VFC Joseph Conte

**MEETING GIVEN TO VCDR Shawn Landa**

**CORE TRAINING**

<b>UNIT</b>	<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>% COMPLETE</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>
<b>Division 39</b>	144 (no change)	85%	+1%
<b>Flotilla 39-02</b>	25 (+1)	92%	+4%
<b>Flotilla 39-04</b>	27 (-1)	70%	+0%
<b>Flotilla 39-06</b>	59 (+3)	92%	+0%
<b>Flotilla 39-08</b>	16 (no change)	88%	+0%
<b>Flotilla 39-10</b>	17 (no change)	76%	+0%

**Note: These are raw numbers based on the AUXDATA report run 06 August, 2019 at 1445.**

<b>STAFF OFFICER</b>	<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>REPORT STATUS</b>
<b>Name</b>		
CM – Greg Kmiec	Communications	No Report Submitted
CS – Andrew Weiler	Comm Systems	No Report Submitted
DV – Stuart Galesburg	Diversity	No Report Submitted
FN – Ron Tragasz	Finance	No Report Submitted
FS – Ron Dziagwa	Food Service	Report Submitted
HR – Robert Reczek	Human Resources	Report Submitted
IS – Robert Reczek	Information Systems	Report Submitted
MA – Ryan Joslyn	Materials	No Report Submitted
MS – Jay Katzman	Marine Safety	Report Submitted
MT – Michael Valente	Member Training	Report Submitted
NS – Richard McNulty	Navigation Systems	Report Submitted
OP – Charles Hague	Operations	Report Submitted
PA – Ron Dziagwa	Public Affairs	Report Submitted
PB – Charles Hague	Publications	Report Submitted
PE – Bill Russell	Public Education	No Report Submitted
PV – Ron Dziagwa	Program Visitor	Report Submitted
SR – Bridget Darrey	Secretary/Records	Report Submitted
VE – Marc Pullman	Vessel Examination	Report Submitted

**MEETING RETURNS TO DCDR TIM DARREY**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**NEWS AND EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)**

**AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES**

**OPEN FORUM**

**AUGUST REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY:** Dinner arranged by Division Bridge and supported by individual donations.

**SEPTEMBER REFRESHMENTS TO BE PROVIDED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADJOURNMENT**

**1st motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **2nd motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Motion Carries? Y** \_\_\_\_\_ **N** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL FELLOWSHIP MAY FOLLOW, please help share the task of restoring our meeting place to its original condition following the meeting.**

## **DIVISION STAFF OFFICER REPORTS**

**CM (Communications), SO Greg Kmiec:** No Report Submitted

**CS (Communications Services), SO Andrew Weiler:** No Report Submitted

**DV (Diversity), SO Stuart Galesburg:** No Report Submitted

**FN (Finance), SO Ron Tragasz:** No report submitted

**FS (Food Services), SO Ron Dziagwa:** 39-02 FS Member, Christine Gressick: No report received. 39-04 FC, Adam Klein: No report received and there is no FS Member in his Flotilla, but one of his members did win our first Division Chili Cook Off. Maybe she would consider joining the Auxiliary FS program. 39-06 FS Member, Gail Raith: No report received.

39-08 FSO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: We are just planning snacks at our next Flotilla meeting, but we again will be in the Balloon Room for our annual Flotilla Dinner in September at Pilot Pete's after the annual, before the start of the meeting, Fly In Spot Landing Contest. 39-10 FSO-FS, Brent Barker: No report received. 095-39 SO-FS, Ron Dziagwa:

The monthly dinner before the start of the Division meeting is continuing and my only suggestion is to email out what will be actually be there monthly to purchase. Some of us do have restrictions on what we can eat and maybe by knowing ahead of time what will be available, would get more members to attend the fellowship before the actual meeting starts..

**HR (Human Resources), SO Robert Reczek:** See attachments

**IS (Information Systems), SO Robert Reczek:** See attachments

**MA (Materials), SO Ryan Joslyn:** No report submitted

**MS (Marine Safety), SO Jay Katzman:** Happy Belated 229 years Birthday to us, the U.S. Coast Guard. The United States Coast Guard Band is touring the Great Lakes and will be in Wheaton at Cantigny Park. Please join us there the evening of August 11th for a great show.

In Grand Haven, Michigan, large waves and high seas aren't just making swimming hazardous on the lakeshore, they are cancelling Coast Guard Festival events. The festival organizers have canceled the 2019 Parade of Ships due to the weather conditions in Grand Haven.

A reminder to anyone renting or chartering a boat, including from a website or a ride sharing app....be sure to check that the captain is licensed and that the boat has a Certificate of Inspection. A COI indicates that the vessel has passed inspection by the Coast Guard--meaning it has the necessary emergency equipment, the correct amount of life jackets, and the skipper knows what to do in an emergency situation, such as if someone falls overboard. If you're unsure whether the boat you're renting is legitimate, or if you want to report an illegal charter operation, call MSU Chicago, at 630-986-2155. You could be saving someone's life.

In San Diego, the crew of U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Steadfast offloaded more than 26,000 pounds of seized cocaine worth more than \$350 million. The Steadfast conducted five high seas interdictions between late June and mid-July including boardings of high-speed go fast vessels, a fishing vessel and a sailboat.

A group of 27 Cuban migrants tried to come ashore to Key West but were stopped by the U.S. Coast Guard. The migrants were in an 18-foot Cuban chug boat. The group was found on July 27, and included 22 men, four women and one child. The Coast Guard put them on board their cutter safely. They will all be sent back to Cuba.

**MT (Member Training), SO Mike Valente:** Flotilla 39-02 Courses presented : Jan 2019 FORMS PRESENTATION by fso IS Feb 2019 ETHICS Mar 2019 SEXUAL HARASSMENT Apr 2019 UNIFORM PRESENTATION May 2019 VE Work shop June 2019 Celebration of the flotilla's 60th Anniversary. No member training. July 2019 PV Workshop August Core training Security awareness Thoughts for the future : I have been pondering the possibility of a div 39 Core Training event where all core training classes are presented in one day. This will be run by Div CDR , V Div CDR and DSO in a formal presentation. The above will be attempted at Oakton Arms in Des Plaines on a Sat in Sept or October. M. A. Valente fso mt 39-02 SO MT Div 39 -----

Bill Russell Flt. 39-04 Courses Presented: Conducted the 6 mandatory training classes on April 16th and 17th – we had members in the classroom and live streamed the presentations using Zoom to several members at home. No Member Training Month of June We are hosting a first aid/cpr/aed class for CGAux members at Chicago Maritime School on Monday April 29th Member training for MAY flotilla meeting is uniforms and procurement. JUNE M. Valente spoke to VFC Tishel and he mentioned a possible CPR course for the flotilla members. July Aug No activity planned 39-06 Flotilla 39 FSO-MT Report for May Topic 1: Common training to establish qualifications Last year we performed the classroom portion of vessel examination training, and the season closed in on us before we were able to complete the training. This spring we will take those members who still need to perform their five VSC's under supervision and complete that task. This should begin next week. With respect to boat crew training, except for the signoff's, all of the dockside instruction has been completed. We continue to finish off the details so that all of the members can move forward and get the dockside signoff's completed so that they can get their gear issued to them and thereby be able to begin their underway task instruction and signoff's. Before the summer is over, we hope to have all students on the water and making significant progress toward completing this qualification. Along these same lines, we have two members who are slowly making progress toward completing coxswain training. At least one of them should be able to finish this qualification before fall. Another category of training is REYR. Flotilla members qualified in either crew and coxswain categories are included in the summation. One member has returned his PPE gear to the OTO's office. Topic 2: Reduction of Flotilla 39 Members in AP or IQ Status AP Status: one flotilla member in 56 is still in AP status. This is 1.8% of flotilla membership as opposed to a district-wide fraction of 9.6%.

IQ Status: two flotilla members in 56 still in IQ status. This is 3.6% of flotilla membership as opposed to a district-wide fraction of 2.9%. The monthly goal will be to reduce the number in each category by one until the flotilla reaches zero in each category. This will be achieved of monitoring the member's performance and having periodic meetings with the member as well as the mentor assigned to the member. No information received for July August 39.8 no information received May No Member Training June as there will be a barbeque 39-08 July August No report all mandatory training has been completed for this year for active members 39.10 No information received

**NS (Navigation Systems) SO, Rick McNulty:** To date, all of the 095-39 assigned 2019 Class I & Class II PATONS have been verified and reported. Again, I'd like to thank our Division AVs for getting their assignments completed. Next on our mission agenda is a list of 26 bridges assigned to 095-39 for inspection by season's end.

**South Branch Structures** Lake St. Bridge / Randolph St. Bridge / Washington St. Bridge / Madison St. Bridge / Monroe St. Bridge / Adams St. Bridge / Jackson Blvd. Bridge / Van Buren St. Bridge / Eisenhower Exp. Bridge / Harrison St. Bridge / Roosevelt Rd. Bridge / CSX Railroad Bridge #1 / CSX Railroad Bridge #2 / 18<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge / Amtrack Bridge / Canal St. Bridge / Cermak Rd. Bridge / Dan Ryan Exp. Bridge / South Halsted St. Bridge / South Loomis St. Bridge / South Ashland Ave. Bridge / South Damen Ave. Bridge

**South Fork of South Branch Structures**

Canadian National Railroad Bridge / Adlai E Stevenson Exp. Bridge / Archer Ave. Bridge / 35<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge

**39-02 FSO-NS Report: (vacant) FC Charles Herbert Hague** – nothing reported

**39-04 FSO-NS Report: Avraham Sigler** – nothing reported

**39-06 FSO-NS Report: Michael Jacob Raith** – nothing reported

**39-08 FSO-NS Report: Ronald Walter Dziagwa** – Our PATONS to be done by 31 JUL in the second class round this year were all done on time. We did get a call from Two Rivers about one of the discrepancies and

that was taken care of with a further explanation. The week 31 update to the 2019 USCG Light List, Volume Seven link is here:

<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lightListWeeklyUpdates>

The Ninth District Light List is updated still weekly and the "Summary of Corrections" can be viewed online at any time. Please remember, anyone can and should always report a Discrepancy, but always check first to see if someone else hasn't

already done that here. Here is the link to the latest report (31-2019) of corrections:

<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lightLists/corrections/V7D09.pdf>

End of my report.

### OP (Operations) SO Chas Hague:

**Flotilla 39-02, Tim Darrey FSO-OP** Six division 39 members went up to Oshkosh for the EAA Airventure. Members performed 20+ patrols and stood 4 radio watches.

**PA (Public Affairs) SO Ron Dziagwa:** 39-02 FSO-PA, Barry Jacobson: No report received. 39-04 FC, Adam Klein : No report received, but one member is to be appointed as the FSO-PA in his Flotilla.

39-06 FSO-PA, Kimberly Saccaro:

No official report received, but I did receive this from another member in her Flotilla Adrienne Allen;

- Upcoming: 2August-4August: Please refer to message I just forwarded regarding Jeff Fest, POC Ron Dziagwa.
- PA table at GREAT LAKE PLUNGE, just held Sun 28July2019; Open water swim event for 1K, 2K, and 4K, Evanston, IL; **Impact: 271** arising from 176 swimmers from across the Midwest, at least 50 friends and families, plus, approximately 25 volunteers, event organizers, exhibitors/sponsors (such as Northwest Passage), together with 20 staff/lifeguards from Evanston Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department, Evanston, IL.
- Pending/subject to recruiting enough volunteers: PA table at Annual Health, Safety and Wellness Fair; UNITED AIRLINES, Network Safety Operations; Wednesday, 25September2019. **Potential impact:** 400 employees on two floors of the Sears/Willis Tower, Chicago, IL. These employees either reside in the greater Chicago area, or, rotate weekly to out-of-state residences (such as Montana, Missouri, East and West Coasts).
- Kim: For Evanston Swims! I took the liberty to glance at the 2019-2020 Evanston/Skokie School District 65 calendar for its seven (7) School Improvement Days in case that would help your reply to John: 02Oct, 06Nov, 11Dec, 15Jan, 05Feb, 04Mar, NO April, and 06May. Not sure what you and the Working Group may have in mind.

39-08 FSO-PA, Ron Dziagwa:

The following PA events were held by our Flotilla since my last report. We again were back at the Fuddrucker's in Schaumburg and at the New China Buffet in Chicago with our boating and water safety brochures and coloring & activity books for the kids, making them Sea Partners and Life Jacket Leaders. We also were back at the Burger King on Lincoln Avenue and at the Stake 'n Shake in Evanston. Again, at our monthly event at the CiCi's More Than a Pizza Buffet in Niles, back at the Old Country Buffet in the Bricktown Square in Chicago where we were there on four of their "Military Days" and at the Red Robbin in Skokie.

We again in July, for the first time, were at a new location at the Chicago North Shore Holiday Inn located in Skokie, for the Active Senior Expo there. My thanks again goes out to Flotilla 04's member Paula Wix, who also helped me out again manning our AWW/MS/PA and Recruiting table there for five hours.

I was also invited and attended the Chicago Maritime Museum's premier presentation on the Eastland, Chicago's Deadliest Day in July. There I was again able to leave boating and water safety material and talk to other attendees about the Coast Guard Auxiliary, especially since that is what the Admiral wants us to do. We also have for the first time, actually the second, but last year had to cancel because of lack of coloring books and that was the main reason they wanted us there in their Children's Area of the Jefferson Memorial Park in Chicago. This year, we again had the same lack of coloring books, but since of the special request from the Admiral, we are going to attend the event pushing more on Water Safety, especially because of the highest ever drownings recorded in the Great Lakes.

39-10 FC, Brent Barker:

No report received, but one new member will soon be the FSO-PA in his Flotilla.

095-39 SO-PA, Ron Dziagwa:

No qualification / certification is needed to help out at Public Affair events, so there should not be a problem to get some members to volunteer some time at PA events, but there is. Right now only 13 members in our Division have logged any PA time from our 144 active members. That total time is only about 225 hours. I am again asking all FCs and their FSO-PAs to please log your PA hours as such, since over half of the year is already over and please tell me all of your future PA plans.

**PB (Publications) SO Chas Hague:** July issue of Thirty-Niner distributed to Division members. Flotillas 2 and 8 are producing newsletters.

**PE (Public Education) SO Bill Russell:** No report submitted

**PV (Program Visitor) SO Ron Dziagwa:** 39-02 FC, Chas Hague: No report received and still no one appointed to be the FSO-PV in his Flotilla, but I did hear that the 2019 National PV Workshop was done during their last Flotilla meeting.

39-04 FC, Adam Klein: No report received, but one member is to be appointed to be the FSO-PV in his Flotilla. 39-06 FSO-PV, Jay Katzman: No report received.

39-08 FSO-PV, Ron Dziagwa:

At least one Recreational Boating Safety Program Visit was made each and every day since my last report, in and around the Chicago area by our Flotilla. There is a special push to get more PVs in during the first four days of August and we are also trying to do that.

39-10 FSO-PV, Juanita Silva:

No report received.

095-39 SO-PV, Ron Dziagwa:

Flotilla 39-08 will also be doing the 2019 National PV Workshop during one of their future Flotilla meetings. They are also, still trying to find out why one of their members did take and pass the On Line PV test, but never finished the requirements to receive the qualification.

**SR (Records) SO Bridget Darrey:** See Attachment (SO-SR Report)

**VE (Vessel Examiner) SO Marc Pullman:** 39-06: The Flotilla has issued 120 decals for vessels passing inspection this season and, therefore, is in the process of applying to the District for an additional allotment of decals. In the meantime, 39-06 is continuing to cover boaters at Highland Park, Lloyd Beach and recently at Montrose Harbor. 39-08: While balancing its efforts in support of PA and PE activities, 39-08 is continuing its strong VE activity.

39-10: The Flotilla performed 15 VSCs in July and has issued 109 thus far for the season. Due to its initial high performance, it is currently working on its recent restock of decals from the District. More VE opportunities are available to the Division in the form of blitzes scheduled for Belmont Harbor (August 10) and Burnham Harbor (August 24). All Flotillas are participating in the movement to reinforce safety measures to boaters and their families, with emphasis on the need to wear life jackets and be aware of rip currents. 39-08 and 39-10 continued to aggressively inspect high focus crafts. National has rewarded each of these flotillas with a restocking of VE decals.

## **FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORTS**

**Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey:** Flotilla meeting held July 17. Member training covered RBS Visitor program techniques, by Barry. Committee formed for Flotilla Bridge elections. So far this year, we have done over 1700 hours, 38 VSC's 87 RBS visits, 34 hours of classes. Now have 23 members. Barry is attempting to organize Air Station picnics in association with Navy League. AS Waukegan now under Detroit. Next meeting will be 21 August. Training will cover Security education.

**Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel:** 39-04 continues to focus on operations (four members in crew training). Several members have participated in PA events in conjunction with Flotillas 39-02 and 39-08.

**Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Dan O'Connell:** 16 members and 6 guests were at the July 18 Flotilla meeting. Jacob Koenigsberg was sworn in as a new member during the July meeting. Chiara Awatramani and Anita Lutkus have met the new members goal to complete their CT, BQCII, and ABS class during their initial 30 days and are now BQ. Application for Andrew Grossman has been completed and submitted. Presented upcoming calendar for November 21 FC/VFC election. Screening committee in place by August 15 (done), all letters of intent to me by September 19, election during November 21 Flotilla meeting. Heavy emphasis continues on mentoring new members, PA events, Vessel Exams, Boat Crew training, and more recently initiative to communicate & promote safety along Wilmette, Winnetka, and Glenco beaches.

**Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa:** No Report Submitted

**Flotilla 39-10: FC Brent Barker, VFC Joseph Conte:** No report Submitted

**END OF AGENDA, STAFF AND FLOTILLA REPORTS**