

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

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

Division Board Meeting Minutes for 1 May, 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.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES:

Key Topics will be, Operations Workshop and TCT Recap, NSBW, SO-MT Appointment, Dues, LE Event at SWH, Intro to Risk Management,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Matthew Praznowski

ATTENDEES: DCDR Tim Darrey, VCDR Shawn Landa - From 39-02: FC/SO-OP, SO-PB Chas Hague, VFC/SO-SR Bridget Darrey, SO-HR/SO-CS Andrew Weiler, SO-MA Ryan Joslyn, SO-MT Mike Valente, Member Joel Smith - From 39-04: Member Matthew Praznowski, Ed Brooks - From 39-06: FC John Lenhard, SO-NS Richard McNulty, Member John Robertson - From 39-08: VFC/SO-PA, SO-PV Ron Dziagwa – From 39-10: FC Brent Barker

Visitors: Prospective member Chris Barker

SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS and/or NEW MEMBERS:

Approval of the Previous Meeting MINUTES for: APRIL, 2019

1st motion: Brent Barker 2nd motion: John Lenhard Motion Carries? Y N

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS and NEW MEMBERS:

DIVISION COMMANDER REPORTS: DCDR Tim Darrey

April Division meeting was a great success and well attended by 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.

We completed an extremely successful Operations Workshop on Saturday, 6 April. 30 plus members were in attendance, presentations were made by Chief Jason Fowler of the OTO's office and Station Wilmette Harbor XPO Jeff Catanzarite. Program was presented by D39 SO-OP Chas Hague and DCDR Tim Darrey.

Extremely successful VE Blitz took place at Chicago Yacht Works on 13 April with over 30 VEs performed and three new D39 Vessel Examiners qualified.

Final plans in place for NSBW, have confirmed that we will receive Mayoral proclamations from as many as 10 communities plus numerous scheduled PA events, including 6th annual ESPN AM1000 radio interview in support of NSBW missions.

Successfully conducted a 4-hour TCT refresher taught by Chief Fowler that was attended by 40 plus members from Divisions 35, 37, 39 and 41 on 22 April at the Flotilla 39-02 Training Facility in Des Plaines.

OPFAC 251067 has been cleaned and is moored at CGSTA Wilmette Harbor as of 24 April ready to take patrols as soon as water temps permit.

National Safe Boating Week will begin on Saturday, 18 May and runs through end of day Friday, 24 May. It will kick off on Saturday with the Open House at our own Station Wilmette Harbor. The event will culminate in the long awaited SWH Chili Cook Off!

Dues have now been paid by all Flotillas.

Discussion regarding the 9WR-USCGAUX.ORG email system.

- 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

UNIT	MEMBERS	% COMPLETE	CHANGE
Division 39	139	83%	+1%
Flotilla 39-02	24	92%	+5%
Flotilla 39-04	28	61	-1%
Flotilla 39-06	55	93%	+1%
Flotilla 39-08	16	81%	0%
Flotilla 39-10	16	75%	0%

Note: These are raw numbers based on the AUXDATA report run 29 April, 2019 at 1345.

STAFF OFFICER	OFFICE	REPORT STATUS	ADDITION
Name			
CM – Greg Kmiec	Communications	Report Submitted	Absent
CS – Andrew Weiler	Comm Systems	No Report Submitted	39-08 is updating their website
DV – Stuart Galesburg	Diversity	Report Submitted	Absent – A rough draft of a recruitment letter will be sent to legal
FN – Ron Tragasz	Finance	Report Submitted	Absent
FS – Ron Dziagwa	Food Service	Report Submitted	Nothing new to report
HR – Robert Reczek	Human Resources	Report Submitted	Absent
IS – Robert Reczek	Information Systems	Report Submitted	Absent
MA – Ryan Joslyn	Materials	No Report Submitted	Absent
MS – Jay Katzman	Marine Safety	Report Submitted	Absent
MT – Michael Valente	Member Training	Report Submitted	I will talk with the FSOs
NS – Richard McNulty	Navigation Systems	Report Submitted	We had a very good NS seminar at D-Train

OP – Charles Hague	Operations	Report Submitted	Nothing new to report
PA – Ron Dziagwa	Public Affairs	Report Submitted	We need more participants with PA events
PB – Charles Hague	Publications	Report Submitted	Nothing new to report
PE – Bill Russell	Public Education	No Report Submitted	Absent
PV – Ron Dziagwa	Program Visitor	Report Submitted	The division needs more qualified PVs
SR – Bridget Darrey	Secretary/Records	Report Submitted	Nothing new to report
VE – Marc Pullman	Vessel Examination	Report Submitted	Absent

MEETING RETURNS TO DCDR TIM DARREY

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS – The Honor Flight program is being extended to Vietnam Veterans.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chili Cookoff to be combined with Open House per CGSTA OIC and XPO's request.

NEWS AND EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

National Safe Boating Week, 18 May thru 24 May

EAA Airventure, 22 July thru 28 July

Mackinac Race, 12 July to 13 July

Chicago Air and Water Show, 17 and 18 August

AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES - None

OPEN FORUM – There was a demonstration of the Icon A5 at Palwaukee Airport on May 9th.

39-02 has earned the 3 Star Award for recruiting in 2018.

200 kids attended this year's Evanston Swims. 1,500 second graders have gone through this program during the last seven years.

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

JUNE REFRESHMENTS TO BE PROVIDED BY: Same as above

ADJOURNMENT

1st motion: Chas Hague 2nd motion: Ron Dziagwa 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: 39-08 has submitted a transportable marine radio for use as a radio facility. The radio was inspected and the Offer-For-Use has been forwarded to the DSO-CM for acceptance.

CS (Communications Services), SO Andrew Weiler: No report submitted

DV (Diversity), SO Stuart Galesburg: (SO-DV will not be able to attend April or May Division Meetings). Working with Mr. Shawn Landa on composing letter on USCG-AUX recruitment to be sent to college and high school Principals or Deans. We must obtain legal clearances from Legal before sending letter.

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.
39-06 FS Member, Gail Raith: No report received.

39-08 FSO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: We are now planning to have a picnic connected with our June Flotilla meeting at Bult Field before the start of summer. Cookies were served at our Flotilla meeting and we will be reserving the Balloon Room again for our annual Flotilla dinner in September at Pilot Pete's.

39-10 FSO-FS, Brent Barker: No report received.

095-39 SO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: Division 35's Chili Cook Off at Station Cal Harbor, their 8th Annual, was another success. I did attend and was to help out, but because of our OPS meeting was on the same day, I did arrive just in time, but they were already well staffed anyways. I'm sure our Chili Cook Off at our Station Wilmette Harbor's Open House will also be a success and we will be making final plans for that at the Division meeting. I will be asking for all of our FS members in our Division to be at the Open House and help out in the galley during the lunch time hours.

FN (Finance), SO Ron Tragasz: Ending balance as of 31 March is \$7792.06

HR (Human Resources), SO Robert Reczek: See attachments, The National HR Reporting system AAMS is up and running. Over all is working well. Easy to access either by Name or by Flotilla.

This system is only accessible by SO-HR or FSO-HR Office.

Once a Flotilla is given a lead through the ROBO system, you are to log in this system, and update your activity with the prospect. These steps are important as they are tracked by National.

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

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

MS (Marine Safety), SO Jay Katzman: SO-MS Report

Did you know, before he was a four-time champion at The Masters, Arnold Palmer served in the U.S. Coast Guard as a Yeoman.

The U.S. Coast Guard Band will be touring the Great Lakes and will be at Cantigny Park - Wheaton, IL on Sunday, Aug 11th, 1730hrs. Parking is \$5.

2019 Maritime Day & Blessing of the Fleet, will be at Navy Pier. Hosted by The Chicago Ship Master's, Wednesday, May 22, at 1100 - 1300 hrs.

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Report contents are reflected in 39-08 PA report

MT (Member Training), SO Mike Valente: A four hour TCT course was held at the Oakton Arms Senior Residence in their Community room on April 21 2019.

Michael Valente 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 Workshop (tentative)

Bill Russell 39-04

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.

We are hosting a First Aid/CPR/AED class for CG Aux members at Chicago Maritime School on Monday April 29th. Member training for next flotilla meeting is uniforms and procurement.

The remaining Flotillas will be contacted by phone and an addendum to this report will be issued.

NS (Navigation Systems) SO, Rick McNulty: As the 39-08 FSO-NS, Ronald Walter Dziagwa has reported, the District has received the forms for this year's required Class I (9) & Class II (13) PATON verifications. I would like to give all of the Division Flotillas an opportunity to participate in the Navigation System verification program. The only units that I have had contact with since becoming the SO-NS are 39-06 & 39-08. If the other three units in the Division would like to participate, I need their acting FSO-NS to contact me asap. The verification forms will be assigned shortly. The nine Class I PATONS need to be verified and back to me by 31MAY2019. The thirteen Class II PATONS need to be verified and back to me by 31JUL2019. Note: As stated on the PATON Verification Form, return of the completed verification form must be no later than one week after verification. Here's the list of PATONS assigned to Division 39 for this year.

<u>2019 095-39 Class I Private Aid - Name</u>	<u>LLNR</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Sound</u>	<u>Charts</u>
Northerly Island Danger Lighted Buoy A	19956	LB		14926 / 14928
Northerly Island Danger Lighted Buoy B	19956.1	LB		14926 / 14928
Northerly Island Danger Lighted Buoy C	19956.2	LB		14926 / 14928
William E. Dever Crib Light	20040	LT	HORN	14901 / 14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928
North Avenue Jetty Light	20055	LT		14926 / 14928
Wilson Avenue Breakwater Light	20130	LT		14926 / 14928
Wilson Avenue Intake Crib Light	20135	LT		14901 / 14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928
Wilmette Harbor Entrance North Light	20240	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927
Wilmette Harbor Pierhead Light	20245	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927

<u>2019 095-39 Class II Private Aid - Name</u>	<u>LLNR</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Sound</u>	<u>Charts</u>
Chicago Harbor Navy Pier North Light	20012	LT		14926 / 14927 / 14928
Chicago Harbor Filtration Plant Light B	20015	LT		14926 / 14928
Diversey Harbor Entrance South Breakwater Lt.	20085	LT		14926 / 14927 / 14928
Belmont Harbor Light	20090	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928
Belmont Harbor Inner Light	20095	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928
Montrose Breakwater Light	20105	LT		14926 / 14928
Montrose Harbor East Breakwater Light	20110	LT		14926 / 14928
Montrose Harbor West Breakwater Light	20115	LT		14926 / 14928
Foster Avenue Pierhead Light	20140	LT		14926 / 14928
Hollywood Avenue Breakwater Light	20145	LT		14926 / 14927
Farwell Avenue Breakwater Light	20165	LT		14926 / 14927
Evanston Breakwater Light	20185	LT		14926 / 14927
Grossepoint Light	20190	LT		14926 / 14928

39-02 FSO-NS Report: Vacant FC Charles Herbert Hague – Nothing reported

39-04 FSO-NS Report: Avraham (na) Sigler – Nothing reported

39-06 FSO-NS Report: Michael Jacob Raith – Nothing reported
 39-08 FSO-NS Report: Ronald Walter Dziagwa - At Division 35's annual Chili Cook Off, I sat with the ADSO-NS and he told me that he did receive this year's PATONS to get verified and will send them out to our SO-NS. I still have not

received any to be done. The week 17 update to the 2019 USCG Light List, Volume Seven 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 (17-2019) of corrections: <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lightLists/corrections/V7D09.pdf>

39-10 FSO-NS Report: Vacant FC Brent Janssen Barker – Nothing reported

OP (Operations) SO Chas Hague: Operations Workshop held 6 April. 35 members participated. Chief Fowler gave the presentation on GAR² and protocols. Members who brought their gear had it inspected.

4-hour TCT was held 22 April. 50+ members from Division 39 and 35 participated. Chief Fowler ran the training. (*DCDR Note: Members from 35, 37, 39 and 41 attended*)

Auxiliary Facility 251067 has been put into the water at Station Wilmette. Lake Michigan is still too cold for operations, but Ops should start up shortly. A plan is being discussed for scheduling patrols more in advance for planning and Station support. Facility 222033 is going to be looked over by a qualified mechanic with an eye to getting it into service.

Flotilla 39-02: Crew Class winding down. Trainees have almost completed sign-offs.

Qualified crew from Flotilla 39-10 have completed all current requirements, including Introduction to Risk Mgmt and four-hour TCT offered on 22 April.

PA (Public Affairs) SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-08 FSO-PA, Ron Dziagwa: The following PA events were held by our Flotilla since my last report. We were back at a Chicago Burger King and a PlayPlace at a Chicago McDonalds. Back also at both the New China in Chicago and the Super China Buffet in Norridge with our boating and water safety brochures and coloring & activity books for the kids. We were also back again at the CiCi's Pizza Buffet in Niles on one of their Wednesday's Kids Day and we were asked to be at the CiCi's in Streamwood when they had a Car Show event there in their outside parking lot. We also were again given a table back at the Old Country Buffet in the Bricktown Square in Chicago, where we were there on two of their "Military Days" and one day at the Golden Corral in Arlington Heights.

The very large "Swing Into Spring" event at the Golf Mill Shopping Mall did provide us with a table there in and my thanks goes out to Chas Hague from Flotilla 39-02, for helping me out there with an estimated 1,800 attendees. We also again were at the Active Senior Expo at the Chicago Gaelic Park in Oak Forest in April and I also like to thank Paula Wix from Flotilla 39-04, for helping me out there with an overwhelming attendance. We were also given this year, a table on Earth Day at the Old Country Buffet in Chicago, real close to the entrance and exit doors for good visibility and people traffic to offer their patrons PA brochures. Lastly, our Flotilla was asked to again be at the Des Plaines Lattof YMCA for their Healthy Kids Day this year and I also have to thank Bridget Darrey from Flotilla 39-02 for helping me out at that event.

39-10 FC, Brent Barker: No report received, but one new member showed interest in being 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. I needed help at the Golf Mill Shopping Plaza and sent an email out to all Division 39 members, but only two members replied back. Yes, I know many of you are working and just can not help out at times, but there are weekend events, so please check them out on our Division's website and please email me back on when you can help out. Right now, we do still need members in ODU's on Saturday 18MAY19, for Station Wilmette Harbor's Open House from 0930 to 1600. If you have the time, please volunteer to be there and you will also be able to vote in our Chili Cook Off during your lunch break.

PB (Publications) SO Chas Hague: Next issue of Thirty-Niner will come out sometime in June, after Safe Boating Week.

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

PV (Program Visitor) SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-02 FC, Chas Hague: No report received and no one appointed to be the FSO-PV in his Flotilla.

39-04 FC, Adam Klein: No report received, but one member is to be appointed to be the FSO-PV.

39-06 FSO-PV, Jay Katzman: No report received.

39-08 FSO-PV, Ron Dziagwa: We are back doing at least one Recreational Boating Safety Program Visit each and very day now, in and around the Chicago area. There is one other member in AUXDATA listed in our Flotilla as a PV, but I will have to find out why, because he has not done any program visits. More in my next report.

39-10 FSO-PV, Juanita Silva: No report received.

095-39 SO-PV, Ron Dziagwa: Since being a RSBPV is the easiest qualification to get and to keep current by doing just four visits each year, I am again asking our FCs to promote more members to obtain the certification. If their FSO-PV needs any help, all they have to do is email me.

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

VE (Vessel Examiner) SO Marc Pullman: The April 13th blitz at the Chicago Yacht Works was a big success: We completed 30 some vessel checks, qualified 3 trainees and cemented our relationship with the CYW. Ron Dziagwa managed a PA table and was a huge help serving as a dispatcher. Thanks also goes to John Lenhard, who used his influence to postpone the snow storm till the following day.

Flotilla 39-10 has been invigorated with the addition of Duke Janovich who has already conducted a substantial number of safety checks. The flotilla's request for additional decals has apparently been granted by national. Other flotillas are in the process of planning their VE events.

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORTS

Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey: Flotilla met 17 April. VFC Darrey led meeting. Member training was on proper uniform wear. During the meeting was Awards, Presidential Certificate to members with 4000 Hrs, New member oath, and W. Luksha receiving from the DCO a letter and the challenge coin for completing all AUXCT and BQII in 30 days after receiving his member #. Planning is well along for Safe Boating Week. Several communities have been solicited for proclamations. Our flotilla will be doing events at libraries, the Canoe Marathon, the Des Plaines Spring Festival, Bass Pro shop, and the Station Open House. We will be participating at Memorial Day events at Arlington Heights and Des Plaines.

We assisted 39-08 at the Maine Township "Mainstreamers" Seniors Faire. We conducted a GPS for Mariners class on 27 April, with 4 participants. Our next meeting will be 15 May. Member training will be the Vessel Safety Check refresher.

Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel: We continue to have strong meeting participation. Several of our new members have expressed interest in stepping up and filling vacant staff positions. One of the suggestions that we are exploring is starting to heavily use social media in promotion of our Flotilla and the USCG-Aux mission. We had several members attend the VE Blitz facilitated by Marc Semper Pullman and had 3 complete their required exams to become certified. Matt Praznowski assembled a tutorial with links to facilitate the Division members ease of ordering Uniforms.

Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Daniel O'Connell: 20 members were at the April 18 Flotilla meeting representing a quorum. Pizza was served, complements of the Flotilla for those arriving early

for the Fellowship time. One guest was in attendance and got a chance to chat with many of us. Chiara Awatramani's application has been submitted and everyone got a chance to know her a little better.

Members were reminded again (and again and again) that Introduction to Risk Management LMS on-line Course (100202) must be completed by April 30 for most of us. 48 members, or 87% of the Flotilla has complied as of today. FC has emailed and phoned the members who have not completed the course as of today (April 27). These few members that have not completed the course as of April 27 have either committed to completing the course within the next 2 days, have moved out of state, or no longer wish to remain certified for their competency. We should have approximately 92% compliance by April 30 with the remaining few no longer interested in maintaining their currency for various reasons.

39-06 ramping up for the season with Boat Crew classes every Saturday, several ABS class dates at West Marine or Skokie office, member training, Evanston Swims, Winnetka Memorial Day parade, and various other PA events. Chicago Harbor blitzes are being planned and to be announced soon. Dan O'Connel has created several new posters for the training room describing several of the available certifications and how to get qualified for each. Focus is on getting members to better serve the Auxiliary by expanding their areas of certification.

Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa: No report from Flotilla 39-08

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

END OF AGENDA, STAFF AND FLOTILLA REPORTS