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LEADERSHIP AWARD WINNERS

1. Please read ALCOAST 241/24, 2024 INSPIRATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS AND NAVY LEAGUE LEADERSHIP AWARD WINNERS which was issued earlier this month. Congratulations to District 5 Southern Region Auxiliarist Barbara Allen for her selection as the Commodore Charles S. Greanoff Inspirational Leadership Award winner and to D7 Auxiliarist Natalie Bunting for Honorable Mention! Auxiliarist Allen will be recognized at the 2024 Auxiliary National Conference in Orlando, FL in August. Bravo Zulu!
 2. The ALCOAST is attached to this message for your convenience. In addition, the link to the MyCG news article is provided: <https://www.mycg.uscg.mil/News/Article/3799166/coast-guard-announces-2024-inspirational-leadership-award-winners/>.
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For many reasons including the value of keeping communication lines clear and open as well as facilitating access to training and educational tools, all Auxiliarists are urged to have their own email address and to keep it updated in AUXDATA.

*All ALAUX's are posted on the Chief Director of Auxiliary web site located at: [CHDIRAUX ALAUX](#)

If you have a question regarding this ALAUX, please seek resolution within your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) including up to your servicing District Director of Auxiliary (DIRAUX). If your question still cannot be resolved after that, then please email CGAUX@uscg.mil.

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1. This ALCOAST announces the winners of the 2024 Coast Guard Inspirational Leadership Awards (ILA) and Navy League Leadership Awards. These awards recognize Coast Guard personnel who had a significant impact and inspired their colleagues by demonstrating outstanding leadership, fostering a culture of diversity, mentoring others, and leading by example during the 2023 calendar year. They exemplify the Coast Guard's Core Values of Honor, Respect, and Devotion to Duty. Eight winners and eight honorable mention individuals were selected from 86 impressive nominees.

2. Winners and honorable mention selectees of the Coast Guard Inspirational Leadership Awards are:

a. CAPT John G. Witherspoon (Active Duty)

Winner: LCDR Kelly Berry, CG Sector Lake Michigan

Honorable Mention: LCDR Jacob London, CG AIRSTA Cape Cod

b. CAPT John G. Witherspoon (Reserve)

Winner: LCDR Ryan Kowalske, USCGC Legare

Honorable Mention: CDR Pablo Prado, CGD Seven

c. MCPO Angela M. McShan (E-7 Active Duty)

Winner: YNC Monica Campos, USCGC Polar Star

Honorable Mention: BMC Jesse Blakeway, CG Sector Eastern Great Lakes

d. MCPO Angela M. McShan (E-7 Reserve)

Winner: MSTC Thomas Doran, CG Sector Houston-Galveston

Honorable Mention: MEC David Rice, CG STA Burlington

e. Mr. George R. Putnam (Civilian)

Winner: Justin Bravatto, CG Sector Northern Great Lakes

Honorable Mention: Frederic H. Dolbow, CG Sector-Maryland-NCR

f. COMO Charles S. Greanoff (Auxiliary Flotilla Commander)

Winner: Barbara Allen, Flotilla 25-07, Fort Washington, MD

Honorable Mention: Natalie Bunting, Flotilla 39, Dania Beach, FL

3. Winners and honorable mention selectees of the Navy League Leadership Awards are:

a. CAPT David H. Jarvis (Officer Active Duty)

Winner: LCDR Anna Ruth, USCGC Alex Haley

Honorable Mention: LT Brett Igo, CG Sector Northern New England

b. SM1 Douglas A. Munro (Enlisted Active Duty)

Winner: MK2 Manuel Ortiz, USCGS Thetis

Honorable Mention: AMT1 Homero Haro, CG TRACEN Cape May

4. This year's winners are extraordinary individuals who stood out for their visionary and innovative leadership, championing of excellence, selfless dedication, professionalism and their unwavering commitment to creating opportunities and developing future leaders. These remarkable leaders stand out amongst their peers, embody the legacy of the awards, and will leave a lasting

impact on our Service.

5. All winners receive the following:

- a. A congratulatory call from the Commandant & Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard.
- b. Recognition in marketing and communications including a MyCG story, social media, the Office of Leadership website and SharePoint, and at the Sector/District/Command/Unit level.
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<https://www.mycg.uscg.mil/>

6. The Coast Guard ILA winners will be recognized at the district level, and will receive an engraved trophy.

7. The Navy League Leadership Award winners will receive:

a. The Munro winner, MK2 Manuel Ortiz, will be meritoriously advanced.

b. In-person recognition at the Annual Navy League Convention June 5 - 8, 2024 in San Diego, CA, and a certificate signed by the Commandant. Travel should be funded by the unit or district.

c. An award code placed into their record in Direct Access.

8. Selecting and recognizing high performing leaders is a service imperative, supports individual and unit development, as well as Coast Guard retention and recruitment efforts.

9. Nominating commands are encouraged to recognize the winners and selectees by documenting selection using all appropriate methods such as a positive 3307, personnel awards, OERs and EERs, and/or with a citation to positively impact future personnel reviews, assignments, and promotions and advancements.

10. Nominating commands are encouraged to recognize the honorable mentee selectees and those not selected with due recognition using all appropriate methods. At a minimum, documentation of award nomination should be reflected in nominees' performance evaluations, personnel files and other methods such as a positive 3307, personnel awards to positively impact future assignments, promotions and advancements.

11. The selection panel members were:

a. CDR Roberto C. Concepcion, President, CG Sector Maryland-National Capital Region

b. LCDR Katherine Blue, USCG LANTAREA

c. Dr. Robert Habib, COMDT, Policy and Planning - Training Division FORCECOM

d. MCPO Jodie Morse, CG LDC

e. CPO Michael Gould, CG Sector San Diego

f. CPO Andrew Champagne, Air Station Cape Cod

g. PO1 Melinda Churchelow, Office of Cutter Forces (CG-7511)

h. DCO Kurt Sarac, Fifth District-NR, CG Auxiliary

12. For future award submissions, Commands are reminded to adhere to the award nomination criteria, format, and endorsement standards outlined in the award solicitation. Information and eligibility requirements for the Inspirational Leadership Awards are available on the DCMS-DPR-5 website:

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<https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/leadership/awards>

13. The call for submissions for the 2025 Inspirational Leadership Awards will be announced in November 2024.

14. POC: Danielle Tergis, Office of Leadership (DCMS-DPR-5), Danielle.Tergis@uscg.mil.

15. Dr. Donna M. Navarro, Executive Director for Personnel and Readiness, and Senior Advisor to the Commandant for Diversity and Inclusion (CG-DCMS-DPR-XD), sends.

16. Internet release is authorized.