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Three items of interest:

- (1) Four new PATONS have been added temporarily in the Delaware River on either side of the Commodore Barry Bridge and either side of the main shipping channel. These have been put into place to protect the piers of the bridge while repair work is going on.
- (2) 5-6 PATONS have been placed in the water on the east side of Tinicum Island and between the island and Essington. These have been put in unofficially and without guidance or direction as to where they should be accurately placed. These PATONS belong to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania but there has been considerable confusion and inter-agency conflict over responsibilities. Therefore, caution should be exercised if you are in the vicinity. Some of the buoys are meant to mark shoal water and some to designate no-wake zones.
- (3) There may be new rules with respect to the verification of state-owned PATONS in New Jersey waters. There has been some controversy between the Coast Guard and the State of New Jersey over jurisdiction for hesitations. An MOU is being prepared, as I understand it, that will delineate responsibility between the Coast Guard, the Auxiliary and the State of New Jersey. The 5NR Policy Manual, Chapter 7, may have to be amended to reflect the possible changes in jurisdiction and responsibility.

Have a safe and happy boating season!!! John

From The Flotilla Commander

The flotilla is growing. The Auxiliary is growing. Are you growing with them?

There are times that we must look at ourselves and see if we are fulfilling the mission. Are we fulfilling our oath as a member of Team Coast Guard.

There are times that we have to focus on our lives and family.

But remember our commitment to help the boating public as a whole. We give our time to teaching safe boating, so that no one loses their lives or a loved one. Do we make an impact: yes.

One of our flotilla members has saved a life because of the training in 1st aid and CPR that is offered to our flotilla members. We will be having the training again this year and would like to see everyone there.

Clark Edwards, FC



Report from Flotilla PS officer

We have 5 people that will have their prints done on August 1st. If any member needs their photos done for a new ID card, please let me know ahead of time. Please check the date on your ID Card.

We have 1 transfer Hector Feliciano has gone to the flotilla closest to his home in Wilmington DE flotilla 01-09.

Any member that would like to transfer to be closer to home please contact me.

Clark Edwards, FC

July 4, 2009
D5NR FALL CONFERENCE

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
Fifth District Northern Region



The good ship D5NR FALL CONFERENCE has made landfall in Philadelphia. On 11 to 13 September 2009, Fifth Northern's Fall Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Philadelphia (Historic District) located at 400 Arch Street. This multi-story facility has more than 300 sleeping rooms with several meeting room configurations and is proximate to many of Philadelphia's prime historic & tourist sites.

Detailed program and registration information will be mailed out shortly. However, members may now make hotel reservations as follows:

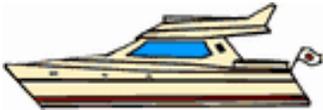
1. Room rate is \$94.00 per night. This includes on-site parking fees. The hotel is totally non-smoking and there are several Special Needs rooms.
2. Call 1-800-THE BELL (843-2355) and give the reservations' personnel our group code UCG to get the discounted rate of \$94.00.
3. You may also register on line by going to www.holidayinn.com/phlhistoric Once on this page, look for a space on the left hand side to enter a three (3) letter group code. Our code is UCG. This will take you to a reservation page with the discounted rate.

4. Hotel reservation cutoff date is 28 August 2009. After that, reservations are accepted on a space available basis. The conference program will include new items along with our traditional training and informational sessions. We are in the "big city" as a change of pace and this will be a good time to meet with new and old friends.

Our Next Flotilla meeting is August 18th 2009

Reminder on Catalogue orders: "any orders should be placed, by e-mail, at least four weeks before you need it, to ensure delivery in time." place your uscgaux # in the e-mail- **Jimmy Deleon, MA.**

Email: jimmyde46@aol.com (if you have any questions)



Operations Report

Ken Christy and crew completed the following patrols:

Saturday 27 June 2009 – Penn's Landing Fire Works Patrol – Ken and crew enforced the safety / security zone.

Saturday 04 July 2009 - weekend safety patrol – Ken and crew assisted disabled 25' vessel with 10 POB (people on board) until tow boat arrived.

* AOR (Area of responsibility) was extended to assist in search efforts for the missing boaters on the Delaware River – north of patrol zone.

** Boat Crew Trainees – please contact me if you are ready for patrols (need uniform – ODU & some gear).

Please call at noon (lunch time) Office # 215-255-7318

Have a safe July – Brian Lynch





United States Coast Guard Auxiliary celebrates the 70th anniversary of service to the nation!!!

Congratulations again, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary!

"From the President of the United States of America

June 19, 2009

I send my warmest regards to the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary in celebration of your 70th anniversary of service to our Nation.

Formed by an act of Congress on June 23, 1939, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary has distinguished itself through gallant service in support of the U.S. Coast Guard and the safety of our Nation's recreational boaters. Today's 29,000 Auxiliarists, and the legions of those who have gone before them, have willingly sacrificed their time and resources to save hundreds of lives, conduct thousands of search and rescue missions, and prevent millions of dollars in property loss.

In the wake of staggering national challenges posed by the tragic events of September 11, 2001 and the devastation wrought by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma in 2005, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary selflessly served millions of hours to protect our citizens and improve maritime safety and security. Members of the Auxiliary have always displayed unparalleled devotion to the welfare of America's recreational boaters through public education programs, vessel safety checks, and marine dealer visits. These efforts have proven invaluable to accident prevention and the vast enjoyment of our Nation's coasts, rivers, and lakes.

I congratulate you for your steadfast commitment to the highest standards of citizenship, patriotism, and community service. On behalf of all Americans, I wish you all the best for a memorable celebration. May you continue to find happiness and fulfillment in your many contributions to our country.

//s//Barack H. Obama, President."

Date: Monday, July 13, 2009, 12:42 PM

The NJ DEP Division of Fish and Wildlife will be hosting a Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) Coastal Workshop in Cape May the weekend of September

11-13, 2009. The workshop is devoted to learning about wildlife and outdoor skills on the Jersey coast.

Participants can choose 4 topics from a diverse list of classes, and spend 3 1/2 hours for each of the 4 hands-on learning sessions. Although oriented towards women, this workshop is open to anyone who is at least 18 years of age.

For more information, including the registration form, visit <http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/bowhome.htm> on the division's website.

Submitted by: Lisa Marie Gibbons FSO-PB



Vessel Examinations

It is boating season again and we are on the way with our Vessel Examinations. The new stickers have arrived and we are looking to start the season. For those that are in the rears, please contact Mr. Paul Parravicini FSO-VE at 215-582-2972 to schedule an appointment for a supervised VE. If you need the VE forms and/ or the stickers, don't hesitate to contact me at the above number.

Please come on out, interact with the public, have fun while completing your inspections and help educate the boaters about safe boating.

HAVE A SAFE BOATING SEASON.

Paul Parravicini FSO-VE