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The Rime of the Ancient Mariner by Gustave Doré

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Fellow Staff and Members

As you all can already see, fall is right on the corner. For lot of us it's a relaxing and beautiful time of the year, as the leaves begin to turn color and prepare us for the colder weather. As summer draws to an end it is also time for us members of Auxiliary 2-76 to change gears into Fall/Winter Training. We are reminded that good guardians are always sharp in their respective fields, however to do so we must maintain our training and expand our knowledge into other fields.

Fall conference is a perfect opportunity for continuing our education. The Training Conference, as it is now known, provides instrumental training for those that seek to participate in helping with one or more of the Coast Guard's missions. This year there are over 15 different activities that you as a member can participate in. There are also venues of interest and guest and spouse programs for them to see and experience the auxiliary first hand. I would like to invite our newer as well as our seasoned members to take part in at least one class or course of this training. You can show up Saturday Morning and register and take any of the courses being offered that day. There are restaurants, shops, and places of interest just minutes from the location. The training conference is a great way to meet and greet fellow members and I encourage all of you to attend.

As fall and winter draws near, it is also time to think of Elections and Staff Officer positions; all members are encouraged to take part in a staff office. Like many before me, that's how my interest in office got started. You can take part in any of the 12 Offices or be an assistant to one of our officers by relieving the work load. If you are interested in taking part in one of the many offices, please sign up, we will help train you and make sure that you are on the right track. Please know that the work is often minimal and it is a great way to show your potential for becoming a future leader in the auxiliary. Elections Information will be provided to you by our election committee, anyone interested in running for Commander or Vice Commander please notify either Mr. Lee Roach or Matt O'Brien. Any questions or comments please feel free to ask any of our staff and elected officers. You members and staff of Flotilla 2-76 should be very proud of the hard work you have been doing. This year without a doubt will be a remarkable one. During Division meeting the great work that 2-76 is doing is resonating throughout the district and possibly beyond. Please continue the great work, for there is still plenty to be done and improved on to make this flotilla the Mighty Naval Carrier we spoke about at the beginning of the year, your dedication and passion to make this flotilla great has many other flotillas now setting eyes on us, as they look at us to gain ideas and perspective to make their flotillas more efficient. So Bravo Zulu! to everyone and please let this serve as encouragement to continue the great work we are doing.

Semper Paratus

Jose Roman-Rivera, FC

The next flotilla meeting is Tuesday, 18 September at 19:30

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All electronic 7028's, 7029's and 7030's have been entered into the system with one exception which I will describe in more detail later in this report. In addition, Jennifer Zenquis has agreed to assist me in my duties, and I will be meeting with her to answer questions and describe responsibilities.

Now for the exception mentioned above. A handful of members have used the new on-line 7028 process to submit updates to their skill sets. Unfortunately, I have no way of entering that information in AUXDATA myself. I do not know whether Matt has the capability. When I sent copies of the emails to DIRAUX in order to have them perform the updates, I was informed by Betty Kain that I should not be sending Personal Identifiable Information by unsecured email. She also informed me that even though National has put the capability into AUXOFFICER to allow for these submissions, they are not approved for our district at this time. I will be happy to comply with any directions from above which will resolve this problem, but for the time being, our members should be aware that such information is not making it into the AUXDATA system.

Hank Harrison, FSO-IS knah8@attglobal.net

Materials (MA)

All members that are in need of any materials please e-mail me at jimmyde46@aol.com. It is important that you e-mail or send by text or letter any material request. Please provide name, address, id number, and what you are

requesting to be ordered. Allow three weeks for delivery although you may receive an order earlier.

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Organization continues on the list of PATONS within Sector Delaware Bay for Auxiliarists to verify as designated aids on station and functioning according to their description in the Light List and on the Charts. Paton Information Documents (PIDs) were distributed to Aids Verifiers (AVs).

Captain Moore acknowledged Matt O'Brien as an Auxiliary Waterways Management Representative in the Prevention Department during the August All Hands Meeting at Sector.

Matt O'Brien, ADSO-NS mobrien12@aol.com

Operations (OPS)

We're left with one month left in patrol season. This is the season of QEs and last minute patrols in order to avoid REYR. If you're one of those people, please get underway ASAP and avoid doing this so late next year. We're also in an interesting position for next season. SARDET Wilmington is closing and with that they are keeping 279521 at Station Philadelphia. While not a flotilla facility, patrols are available in Philadelphia proper for the first time in years. In addition, 2-76 participated in a Labor Day SAR call with Division 4's 242118. The PIW was recovered by the Essington Fire Department, unfortunately a victim of drowning. Our flotilla's facility committee plans on meeting in September.

Dan Toms, FSO-OPS daniel.toms@cgaux276.org

Public Affairs (PA)

Hello Shipmates!

Throughout the month of August I was busy organizing event details and setting up ads for our upcoming Public Education classes. All the while studying and passing the Intro to Public Affairs Exam.

I successfully secured new ads in the City Paper Online, ABC and The Hull Truth. These should expose the Auxiliary to a new boating community.

I had the utmost pleasure in joining the celebrations on Coast Guard Day. I spent a very fun day playing volleyball and spending the day meeting new "Coasties". It was a great day and I look forward to next year's festivities.

After many failed attempts I managed to figure out the website. I have since added some recent candid photos of events, a blurb about the Public Affairs, added our event schedule, updated *The Lifeline* and added the Float Plan link. I have sent out requests to key people to fill-in the empty Outreach section. Once I receive those additions I will add them to the site.

After completing the Intro to PA I immediately started the RBS test. I should be finishing that up over the Labor Day weekend.

During our monthly meeting I informed the flotilla on our new events: *Shipwreck* and *Rock and Roll Half Marathon*. I was able to get a lot of volunteers and my thanks goes out to them all.

September will be a great month to be a Coast Guard Auxiliarist!

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AUXILIARIST OF THE WEEK - 20 AUGUST 2012



I'd like to nominate our new FSO-PA, Jessica Zenquis-Davidson, for the Auxiliarist of the Week award.

This is for her outstanding organizational ability, infectious enthusiasm, and incredible dedication to the Auxiliary during only 9 months of membership. As a new member she eagerly undertook every training opportunity available to her, passing 2-76's Boat Crew School and her AUXPAT exam with ease. Since then she has worked with PECO to get two free 2-76 advertisements posted on their skyscraper billboard, led our efforts in the Fishtown Shadfest PA event, the Delaware River Day, and has dedicated herself to embedding 2-76 into the community.

In addition to what she has done, she has arranged for 2-76 to participate in upcoming events, including a major lifesaving themed exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art this September.

Jessica is a model new member, sharp in her uniform and attendance, dedicated to the cause of the Auxiliary, and motivated to ensure our flotilla achieves its potential. She is able to marshal resources and participation better than anyone I have ever had the pleasure of witnessing. Jessica will be a major player in our flotilla and this district for a long time - I eagerly await what the future will bring with such a hard working new member. Jessica exemplifies our core values at every turn, and should be commended.

Daniel A. Toms, VFC 2-76

Exercise of the Month

DOUBLE ARM WALL SQUAT (SCAPULA)

Reps : 8-10 **Sets :** 2-3 **Intensity :**

Tempo : **Rest :** 60sec **Duration :**

Preparation :

- Face wall, place both hands shoulder height against the wall
- Soften knees

Movement :

- Squat downward, gently pushing butt backwards
- Keep heels on the ground
- Once you "feel" a gentle stretch in calves or lats, return to the starting position and repeat



Election Eligibility Information

Attached are the lists of eligible members for FC & VC and non-eligible 02-76 members for the upcoming election. Most in-eligible members require IS 100 & 700. There are no grandfathered members because of past service. These courses can be completed on-line and are as followed:

The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) offers the following free-of-charge, self-paced courses:

IS-100.b Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100

IS-200.b ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents, ICS-200

IS-700.a National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction

IS-800.b National Response Framework, An Introduction

Anyone who is qualified to hold office and is interested in running please let me know by email which office they want to run for.

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MCKEON: ELIZABETH J	Has not obtained an Auxiliary qual, served as Staff Officer, or Documented
MCWILLIAMS: JAMES M	Needs ICS 100 and 700
MOCK: JEREMY W	Needs ICS 100 and 700
MOSLEY: JOHN W JR	Needs ICS 100 and 700
MURPHY: DANIEL J	Needs ICS 100 and 700
PAPOUSCHEK: GARY A	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
REESE: KYLE D	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
ROACH: ANDRIA E	Needs ICS 100 and 700
ROACH: LEE B JR	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
SANTORO: MONICA M	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
SCAGGS: LARRY D	Needs ICS 100 and 700
SCOTTI: EUGENE L	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
STEVENSON: DARRYL A	Needs ICS 100 and 700
SULLIVAN: KATELYN M	Needs ICS 100 and 700
TAYLOR: JAMES L	Needs ICS 100 and 700
ULUCAN: KUBILAY	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
VALDES: GEORGE A JR	Needs ICS 100 and 700
VIAUD: BARBARA A	APC or FLC or AUXMIN (if already served 1 office).
WEILER: JAMES	Needs ICS 100 and 700
WHITE: THEODORE A	Needs ICS 100 and 700
WRIGHT: JAHNIA A	Needs ICS 100 and 700
ZENQUIS: JENNIFER	Needs ICS 100 and 700
ZENQUIS_DAVIDSON: JESSICA L	Needs ICS 100 and 700

US Coast Guard Auxiliary elects new national commodore

SAN ANTONIO – Coast Guard Auxiliary senior leaders today elected Commodore Thomas C. Mallison of Bear Lake, Mich. as the organization’s national commodore for a two-year term beginning November 1, 2012. The election was held at the Coast Guard Auxiliary National Conference (NACON) underway at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk hotel.

Mallison will succeed current National Commodore James E. Vass, Jr. who is completing his two-year term of office. Mallison has served as vice national commodore under Vass since November 2010.

“The expanding number of operational, administrative and logistical missions that the Coast Guard Auxiliary is able to perform gives us ever-increasing opportunities for service,” said Mallison. “Every member should be able to attain personal satisfaction within that array of missions.”

Mallison has identified “training, communication, and members” as the watchwords that will help guide the Auxiliary’s focus during his tenure as national commodore.

Prior to 2010, Mallison served as deputy national commodore - operations policy and Atlantic area west, 2009-2010, district commodore, Eighth District eastern region, 2007-08, district vice commodore, 2005-06, and district rear commodore west, 2003-04. He served as department chief of the Coast Guard Auxiliary National Department of Personnel from 2000-02.

Mallison is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Science. He graduated with honors from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and earned a Doctorate of Business Administration.

Mallison joined the Coast Guard Auxiliary in 1990 and has served in a wide variety of elected and staff offices at all levels of the organization. His Auxiliary certifications include coxswain, private aids to navigation verifier, recreational boating safety program visitor, vessel examiner, instructor, and qualification examiner. Mallison also holds the advanced "Operational Auxiliarist" designation. Retired from Systran Corporation in Dayton, Ohio where he served as vice president and director of administration, Mallison served on the boards of directors of three manufacturing companies and a nonprofit corporation in the medical sector during his business career.

Prior to Systran, Mallison retired with twenty-years of service in the U.S. Army where he served as both a commissioned officer and a non-commissioned officer. His overseas tours included Germany, Korea and Vietnam.

Mallison is married to the former Wanda Rodieck from Nevada, Mo.

NACON is hosted by the Coast Guard Auxiliary Association, Inc., a non-profit organization based in St. Louis that provides business management, financial and training support for the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

For additional information on NACON 2012, please visit: cgauxa.org/nacon



SHIPWRECK! SPECIAL FAMILY EVENT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
PERELMAN BUILDING

Join us for a thrilling day of fun family activities in celebration of the exhibition *Shipwreck! Winslow Homer and "The Life Line."* Storms, heroes, and dramatic rescues will engage family members of all ages. Learn about boats, knot tying, and all things nautical from the U.S. Coast Guard. Enjoy family tours of the exhibition and marine art projects outdoors on the terrace of the Perelman Building.

10:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
Make-and-Take Workshop

10:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
Nautical Demonstrations

11:00 a.m., noon,
1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.
Family Tours of *Shipwreck!*
Winslow Homer and "The Life Line"

Program meets in the Perelman Building, 2525 Pennsylvania Avenue

Family Programs are free after Museum admission; children 12 and under are always free.

For more information about Family Programs, visit www.philamuseum.org/education.

The Life Line, 1884, by Winslow Homer (Philadelphia Museum of Art: The George W. Elkins Collection, E1924-4-15)