

FLOTILLA 04-76 September 2021 LIFELINE NEWSLETTER
Volume #100



Greetings Shipmates, Well we say goodbye to summer and welcome fall. As we wind down to cooler weather, it is important to remember we still have missions to accomplish. Public Education, PA events and Visitations are still on the menu. We welcome on-site Flotilla meetings as well as hybrid sessions, which have been well received. Thanks to the bridge for staying vigilant in this manner. We all play are vital part in keeping 04-76 out in front within the division. Let's show what we can do! Thanks Team.

The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall. – *Nelson Mandela*

Charles J Miller, II FSO-PB

- Semper Paratus!

FROM THE COMMANDERS DESK



Dear Flotilla 4-76:

Here are some updates on the state of our Flotilla and upcoming events:

Monthly Flotilla Meetings

 4th Tuesday of the month at 1900 at Sector Delaware Bay - We are back to live meetings on the 4th Tuesday of every month. Please attend as many Flotilla meetings as possible. For now we will also allow members to attend by zoom while Covid continues to be a threat.

Oldak Memorial

 9/28/21 – We will hold a brief memorial for past Flotilla Commander Glenn Oldak with members of his family and a video compilation of Glenn's work with Flotilla 4-76.(postponed)

Public Education

 October 2021 – We hope to resume public education classes at Sector. Ralph Onesti and other members of the Flotilla will conduct boating safety classes.

Member Training

 9/28/21 - Kurowski will do a demonstration on how to enter 7029's into Aux Data II

Public Affairs

- 8/15/21 Helicopter Museum event for World Helicopter Day was a great success with Bob Corrigan and Pete Lacey. We got to see a HOS1 which was used by USCG in an airplane crash rescue in the Atlantic (a Hos 1 is also known as a Sikorsky R-6). There were also helicopter rides and lots of fun for the kids.
- 10/24/21 Helicopter Museum event for FamilyFest / FatherFest with USCH Sector Delaware Bay Commander Captain Theel and a USCG Dolphin Helicopter from USCG Atlantic City – 4-76 will have a table – Please come and support us – open to families – Uniform will be Trops – There will be helicopter rides as well.

Public Visitiation

 October 2021 – DeJoseph, Sigman, and Onesti will go to the DeJoseph's Sons of Italy Chapter in Philadelphia and present on Flotilla 4-76.

Fellowship

- 8/21/21 4-76 Family Picnic at Gov Printz Park was a greats success with perfect weather, many members of Flotilla 4-76, and representatives from 3 other Flotillas.
- October 2021 Possible (depending on Covid) Fellowship event at Yards
- December 2021 Possible (depending on Covid) Fellowship Flotilla Holiday Party

<mark>Ops Team</mark>

- May through October 2021 Kernen, Sigman, DeJospeh, Corrigan, Moran, Davis, Baynard (with DiToro on Radio) spent many hours on MOM / Training Patrols on the Delaware River on 993 and 444 (the two facilities in operation in Division 4).
- 11/5/21 4-76 Ops Team has been invited on Friday, November 5 at Liberty Hill to do the missing man table in Service Dress Blue (and white glove) for the American Legion Post 405 Annual Dinner. Dress is Service Dress Blue.

<u> Veterans Parade – November 7</u>

 11/7/21 - 4-76 has been invited to march in the Philadelphia Veterans Parade on Sunday November 7 at 16th & JFK with American Legion Post 405. Dress is Service Dress Blue.

Aux Data II / Diraux Problems

- Onesti and Kurowski worked with Diraux to resolve many of the Aux Data II problems:
 - Ralph Onesti– IT Certified
 - Gary Papouschek VE certification
 - Michael Fanning IQ to BQ certified 10Sep
 - Charles Springer IQ to BQ certified 10Sep
 - Scott Sigman AX2 certified 10Sep
 - Daniel Massoni AP to BQ certified 10Sep
 - Robert Jones AP to BQ certified 10Sep
 - Abdelrahman Youssef Need BS&S copy for data entry and status change to BQ
 - Sonte Reavis Need BS&S copy for data entry and status change to BQ
 - Paul Baynard Core Courses (self-attestation) must be entered by the SO-IS.
 - James B. Walton Need BS&S and Core Courses completed for data entry and status change to BQ

Elections

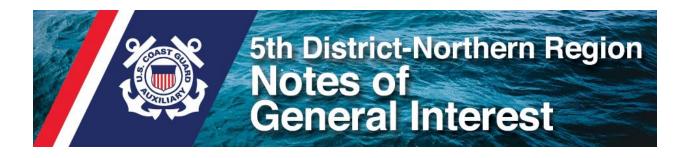
• If you are interested in running for office or serving as an FSO please let us know. Please note that there are some required courses in Leadership before you can run for office.

Flotilla Financials

• The Flotilla is doing well and will improve its finances upon the return of public education courses which were halted due to Covid.

Other News:

- Bob Corrigan, Chief at Philadelphia Fire Department, is arranging AEDs for 993, 444, and Tracen Marcus Hook
- Paul Baynard has joined the Flotilla and is working on Boat Crew
- Anthony DeJoesph is working on Boat Crew
- Bob Corrigan passed his QE for Boat Crew and has also been certified as an Instructor
- Doug DiToro has spent most of the summer at Tracen Marcus Hook standing Radio watch for Sardet Boat Crews on the Delaware River. The Boat Crews would be unable to operate without a radio watch.



RESEND—Date Corrected for CS Training

Online Training Communication Services (CS)

Correct Date: Tuesday, 28 September, 7-9 pm Instructor: Rick Taylor District Staff Officer-Communication Services (DSO-CS)

The National department for the USCG Auxiliary websites is Websites without Webmasters (WOW). Some team members have asked for a refresher or first time training on WOW. We are planning this session to not only start from the beginning if the attendees wish, but also deeper dive into WOW capabilities as well as alternative sites and how one can make them all work together.

Help Wanted USCG Sector Delaware Bay Needs Auxiliarists Volunteers

AUX SUPPORT REQUEST 2021-13 Unveiling of CGC EMLEN TUNNELL

Three categories of Duties are needed: **Culinary Assistants** – Requires food service experience with quals. (Cooking uniform required) **Ushers** – Greet guests and direct them to unveiling. (Trops uniform required)

Parking Attendants – Direct guests of where to park their vehicles. You would not park the car for the guest. (Trops uniform required)

Skillsets Needed

Culinary Assistant – Requires food service experience with quals.

Ushers – Friendly, good with people skills and some knowledge of military protocol, as you will be addressing high ranking officials.

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Time Line Needed

Friday, October 15, 2021 – Arrive at Sector Delaware Bay no later than 0830am— earlier arrival preferred. Sector Delaware Bay is located at 1 Washington Ave Philadelphia, PA 19147. Immediately leave Sector and walk as a group to Penn's Landing, where the ceremony will take place.

Point of Contact

Please contact/email if interested in volunteering: AUX Diego Herrera 908-391-4759 <u>Diego.Herrera@uscg.mil</u> Please copy D05-smb-nrdiraux@uscg.mil

Number of AUX needed

Culinary Assistant – Five Ushers – Three Parking Attendants – Three

Location

Sector Delaware Bay. 1 Washington Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19147 / Penn's Landing

AUX SUPPORT REQUEST 2021-15 Thanksgiving Dinner

Description of Duties

Culinary Assistant – Cook dinner on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2021 for Sector Delaware Bay Coast Guard personnel that are standing watch. Meal will be completed by 1400, feeding approximately 25 members.

Skillset Needed

Currently qualified Auxiliary Culinary Assistant.

Timeline Needed

Thursday, November 25 Arrive at Sector Delaware Bay at 0700. Meal to be completed by 1400 for approximately 25 members.

Point of Contact

Please contact/email if interested in volunteering: Chief R. Snyder office: 215-271-4822 cell: 609-224-9623 <u>Roy.A.Snyder@uscg.mil</u> Please copy <u>D05-smb-nrdiraux@uscg.mil</u>

We need your help in reporting to Senior Coast Guard Officers all of the good things that we are doing

To keep the U.S. Coast Guard 5th District Commander RADM Laura M. Dickey and USCG Sector Delaware Bay Commander Captain Jonathon Theel informed of Auxiliary activities, we are producing a report that is a look-ahead of the upcoming week's expected activities. The resulting **D5NR Outreach Activities Detail Report** will be posted on the <u>5nr.org</u> website after the data is collected.

For the information to be as accurate as possible, we are requesting that each Flotilla report their upcoming activities via an online form that will automatically email the information to the DSO-CS team. The form should be filled out by a designee of the Flotilla which could be the applicable FSO. What is to be reported includes:

- Vessel Exam Blitz or Multi-Unit event (Multiple VEs concentrating on a single or connected sites)
- Public Affairs Events

- Marine Safety event (Clean-up days, School MS Displays, etc.)
- Any other Public Outreach Event

The reporting week runs from the upcoming Monday through the following Sunday with the report feeds coming from each Flotilla or other appropriate level of the organization. Deadline for submission is the Friday before the reporting week. The designated reporter to complete the form on the D5NR site is determined by the Flotilla.

Example: Activities for the week of 26Apr2021 through 2May2021 need to be reported by Friday, 23Apr2021.

The form routes to the District CS team to assemble the report and distribute. **NOTE:** Submitters of the form should use their email address that is registered in AuxOfficer. The Outreach Location on the form is the name of the site such as Bob's Marina, followed by the city and state at which the site is located.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping the Gold Side informed of our significant contributions.

https://5nr.org/upcoming-activities-report-form/

Rick Taylor District Staff Officer-Communications Services (DSO-CS) 717-421-7564 rbtaylorii@comcast.net

FLOTILLA PHOTOS- AUGUST 2021 FIRST MEETING

Scenes of our first meeting since COVID-19 restrictions relaxed! It was really great to be on-site at SECTOR and greet fellow members "in person"!





Photos taken: 08-24-21



Photos taken 08-24-21



Subj: CYBERSECURITY BEST PRACTICES AWARENESS REMINDER

1. October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month. All Auxiliarists are strongly encouraged to remain vigilant against cybersecurity threats and to actively apply strong countermeasures in their personal and Auxiliary activities. In 2017, more than 300,000 individuals in over 150 countries fell victim to the WannaCry ransomware attack in a single weekend causing the loss of countless files and billions of dollars in damages. Threats like these are still prevalent and dangerous, and it is critical that we all take the necessary steps to prevent an attack. The following ten practices are highly effective methods to achieve a strong cybersecurity posture:

- Use strong passwords and create separate passwords for each account.
- Use current and supported operating systems.
- Install all system security updates and patches.
- Keep antivirus software up to date.
- Regularly scan files for viruses.
- Install spyware protection software.
- Turn on firewall protection.
- Regularly back up and securely store files.
- Change default logon ID and passwords for operating systems and applications.
- Use caution when opening emails and do not view emails in preview pane mode.

2. To view the entire U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Cybersecurity Awareness presentation, click <u>here</u>.

3. Internet Release is authorized.

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: <u>CHDIRAUX ALAUX</u>

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**.



FOR THE GOOD OF THE FLOTILLA



FSO-MA-Jimmy DeLeon - attended the retirement of Joanne Wardwell along with Captain Theel- Sector Commander, taken last Thursday.

Photos taken: 08-19-21