



**Flotilla 04-76  
July 2022**

**Lifeline Newsletter  
Volume #109**



Greetings Shipmates! Hope all is well. 04-76 has been very active along the Delaware River lately. Our crew members have been on patrol and performing VE inspections with relentless passion! Congrats to Kim Davis-FRSO Diversity on her accomplishment to VE examiner! Well done Kim. As we continue our efforts to safeguard the local waterways, please remember to explore opportunities to promote our boating programs when possible.

**SEMPER PARATUS**

“Happiness is the only thing that multiplies when you share it.”

Albert Schweitzer

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## ***OUR MEMBERS ON PATROL***

FRIDAY 22 July 2022

Kernen, Corrigan, and Sigman participated in a special Boat Crew with the 5NR Commodore Joe Giannattasio

As part of the all day mission, the crew of Facility 444 and Facility 993 first went to the Philadelphia Navy Yard and proceeded to the aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy #67.

The Commodore was there to document the 79 anniversary of the Philadelphia Project.

After the Navy Yard, the crew of both 444 and 993 began a QE for Coxswain starting with a side tow by Tinicum Island. During the QE, Sector Delaware Bay radioed that we were needed for a SAR case in Marcus Hook area.

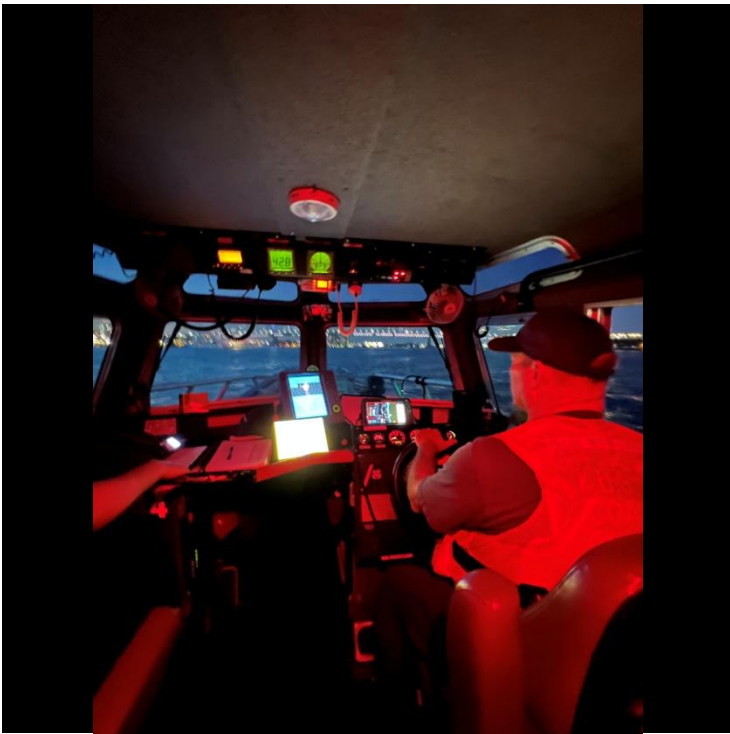
Both 993 and 444 proceeded to Marcus Hook and met up with USCG fast boat 29282. We spent the next hour in a search pattern between the Delaware State line and the Commodore Barry Bridge.

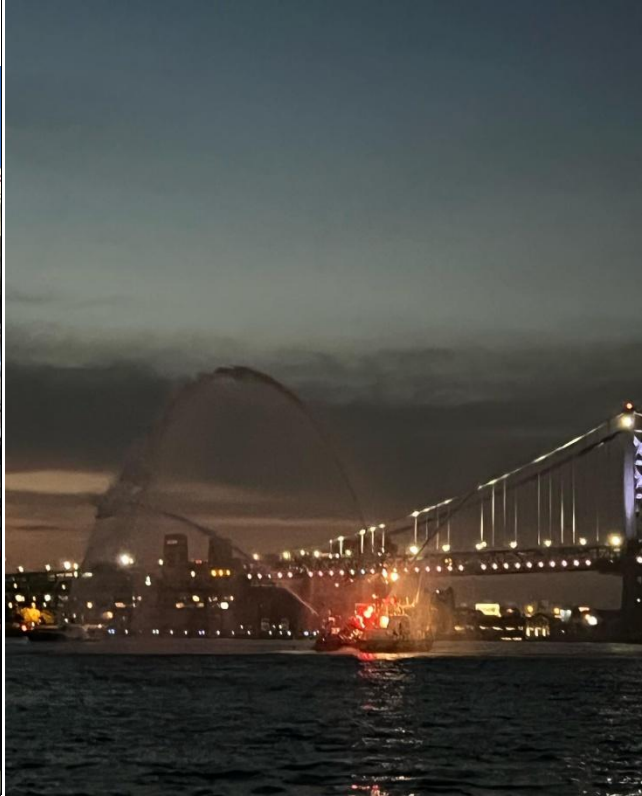
SATURDAY 23 JULY 2022

Sigman participated in a Boat Crew for a nighttime Regatta at Penns Landing. Facility 444 proceeded to Station Philadelphia where they met the crew of USCG Fast Boat 29282 and had dinner at Station.

444 then went to the Penns Landing area and assisted 29282 in creating a security zone for the Regatta.

444 was stationed between the Spirit of Philadelphia and the Battleship NJ while 29282 was by the Ben Franklin Bridge.







CONGRATS KIM! Your hard work made in a difference and we are all so very proud of your accomplishment!!!!

Shown with Kim is Scott Sigman-FC and Anthony DeJoseph-FSO-PV



**United States Coast Guard**  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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EDUCATION AND AWARENESS PROGRAM

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1. Recently the Coast Guard released ALCOAST 229/22 which promulgated the Diversity and Inclusion Education and Awareness Program, COMDTINST 5360.1. This instruction established the Coast Guard's Diversity and Inclusion Education and Awareness Program for all Coast Guard active duty, reservist, civilian, and Auxiliarist personnel.
2. To read the instruction, please click the following link to access a PDF version: [https://media.defense.gov/2022/Jun/21/2003020819/-1/-1/0/CI\\_5360\\_1.PDF](https://media.defense.gov/2022/Jun/21/2003020819/-1/-1/0/CI_5360_1.PDF).
3. Internet release is authorized.

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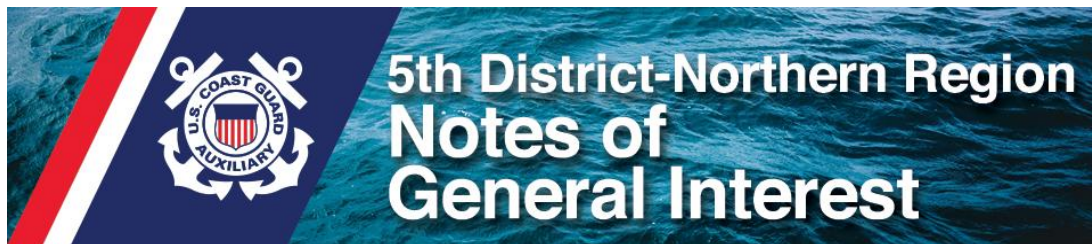
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## Fall DTRAIN is Back!

Yes, Live, In-Person, Face-to Face

16, 17 & 18 September, 2022

Hilton Wilmington/Christiana, Newark, Delaware

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FROM THE COMMODORE

***Fellow Auxiliarists,***

***It's true! Our District is having a Live Fall DTRAIN!*** We've been weathering the challenges brought on by COVID-19 and funding issues for almost the 3 years. Now it's time to get back together. We have a new venue in a new location. The District Board Meeting, open to all members, will be on Friday afternoon. Scheduled events for members follow Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday.





*I am encouraging every District member to come join us for the entire DTRAIN, the weekend, or just for a day. Your time will be well spent and you will have a great time and will gain valuable knowledge and some terrific new friends. Be sure to catch up with me to have a chat!*

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Giannattasio".

*Looking forward to seeing at DTRAIN!*

*Semper Paratus!*



Commodore Joe Giannattasio,  
District Commodore  
Fifth District-Northern Region  
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

### **Never been to a DTRAIN?**

Well! There has never been a better time to attend your first! District Training Events are a unique opportunity to get to know first-hand about all that the Auxiliary has to offer. Even more importantly,

you'll get to know fellow Auxiliarists from across the entire District and from all levels of the Auxiliary—from brand new members to District and National Officers. This is the perfect opportunity to make new friends and catch up with shipmates.



### **Old Hand at DTRAINS?**

You know that the District training is first-rate, and the food and meals are great, but you also appreciate that some of the very best memories and personal exchanges happen *outside* the classes and between the sessions. Come back to DTRAIN to renew your friendships and make new ones—nothing beats being with like-minded folks in person.

### **From Friendly Informality to Longtime Traditions**

Friday afternoon is the **Fifth District-Northern Region Board Meeting** where the business of the District is done. The meeting is open to all



members and it gives you an introduction to what it takes to run one of the premiere volunteer maritime services.



In the evening we have **Friday Fun Night**—this time tropical-themed party where everyone enjoys just being themselves with great food and drink, contests and prizes. Get out your sandals,

shorts—Hawaiian-style shirts are encouraged! Rumor has it that COMO Joe would like to make the Hawaiian shirt an approved Auxiliary uniform item.

Saturday evening is the **Commodore's Banquet and Awards Ceremony**—a formal event with speakers and presenters from both Active Duty U.S. Coast Guard and the Auxiliary. The incoming Executive Committee (EXCOM) Members will be "frocked" with the shoulder boards of their elected



offices placed on their shoulders. Awards are also presented to members with ceremony befitting each well-earned award.



EVERYONE is welcome to attend all events and classes—put aside any concern about what to wear and what to do. Look below for more information on appropriate dress/uniforms.



For fellowship be sure to stop by the **All-Member Hospitality Suites Friday and Saturday Nights.**

### **Meet and Greet**

DTRAIN is the perfect opportunity to get to meet and get to know our new **Director of Auxiliary, Commander Chad Morgan** and our new **Assistant Director of Auxiliary and Operational Training Officer, CWO4 Mickey Price**. Members of the DIRAUX Staff will be in attendance for you to get to know the Team that serves our members so well. We will also have guests from USCG Sector Delaware Bay and U.S. Coast Guard District 5 Headquarters, Portsmouth, VA. We are also expecting to have VIP Auxiliary guests from Atlantic Eastern Area and Auxiliary National Staff. More

info to follow.

FROM THE DISTRICT CHIEF OF STAFF  
***Shipmates,***

*Time for us to again have fellowship, train with fellow shipmates, and plain have fun! After years of missed DTRAINS, we finally get a chance to see each other face-to-face and enjoy a weekend together. You will get to meet the new D5NR Director of Auxiliary, CDR Morgan and our new Operational Training Officer, CWO4 Price. You will hear from the U.S. Coast Guard Active Duty about exciting new opportunities for D5NR Auxiliarists at our Saturday dinner. We will have special awards for members and a Fun Night Friday night!*

*We hope to see you there!*



***Kurt P. Sarac, Sr.***  
D5NR District Chief of Staff  
Fifth District-Northern Region  
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

## **Online DTRAIN Registration**

The DTRAIN Registration website is now active.

Class schedule and registration for classes is on the registration website.

**[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)**

## **Registration Deadlines**

Hotel Reservation Deadline      15 August, 2022

Meal and Classroom Deadline    1 September, 2022

## **Hotel Reservation Details**

***Hotel Bookings Deadline—15 August, 2022.***

Hotel reservations must be made directly with the Hotel using the link below (preferred) or call the hotel directly telephone 1-877-883-0746.

## **[Direct DTRAIN Hotel Reservation Click Here](#)**

*Please note that the Hotel Rate includes full breakfast in the hotel breakfast area for both Saturday and Sunday mornings.*

When booking your room by phone please be sure to share our group name of **USCGA**. This will ensure that you receive the preferred room rate.

## **Discount for Self-Funded Members (NOT Under Orders)**

This discount is for members that will be self-funded (*not funded by DIRAUX or District*). This discount will give you **Free Registration**. Use

the discount code “**FREE-REG.**”

For **MORE DTRAIN INFORMATION**

Please Contact **Jason Flynn, District Conference Coordinator** via his mobile number (1-717-683-3180) or email ([jflynn78@icloud.com](mailto:jflynn78@icloud.com)) for any questions or issues you might have.

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### **New Location!**

The **Hilton Christiana/Wilmington** in Delaware has recently been entirely renovated. The facility is very nice and the staff and management are eager to host our event to the best of their ability.

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## **What to Wear at DTRAIN**

### **Civilian Wear**

Members may choose to wear appropriate civilian attire at any time.

For class work, meetings and social gatherings at events such as DTRAIN appropriate dress would be *business casual*. A polo or comfortable dress shirt/blouse and nice slacks (not jeans) are very acceptable. Leisure wear, sport team wear and t-shirts are not acceptable. Remember, you are attending a U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary event so be respectful in your dress and your actions.

For formal gatherings such as the Saturday evening

**Commodore's Banquet**. A suit or sport coat and tie for the gents shows proper respect. For the ladies, a semiformal dress, gown or suit is the norm. Those in uniform at the banquet will be wearing the equivalent of semi-formal to formal wear. For comparison, the White Dinner Dress Jacket uniform is on par with a tuxedo.

For after hours and Friday night, relaxed and comfortable are the key words. You may well see a fair amount of U.S. Coast Guard and Auxiliary 'affinity' wear—think sport team wear. NO political

wear is permitted—*ever*.

## Official Uniforms

### **Friday Afternoon and Saturday**

*(until the banquet)*

The designated ***Uniform of the Day*** for **Friday afternoon's District Board Meeting and all day Saturday is Trops**. When outdoors, covers (uniform hats) should be worn—either a combination cap or garrison cap. Ball caps are not authorized to be worn with Trops.

Trops consist of a light blue CG uniform shirt, CG Service Dress Blue uniform trousers, black socks and plain-toed, well-polished black oxfords. All members should wear a white V-neck undershirt—no crew neck tees. The belt is black web with a polished silver closure. Hard shoulder boards, name tag, ribbons, insignia and devices are worn.

***Trops are not authorized for wear at the formal Saturday Evening Commodore's Banquet.***





## **Saturday Evening, Commodore's Banquet**

This is a formal event. Your option is to wear appropriate civilian attire as described above or one of the two following formal Auxiliary uniforms.



### **Dinner Dress Blue**

This is a refinement of the Standard Dress Blue uniform (SDB).

In place of the light blue shirt a white plain collar dress shirt is worn. For men a plain black bow tie is proper; women wear the black tab tie. In place of ribbons, miniature medals are worn. Miniature devices replace the larger devices worn on Trops. The standard size AUXOP and Past Officer pins are

worn. Name tags are not worn.

### **Dinner Dress White Jacket Uniform**

In Fifth District-Northern Region we only wear the Dinner Dress White Jacket uniform, though there is a Dinner Dress Blue Jacket version for winter formal events. The jacket itself is the standard U.S. Coast Guard/U.S. Navy White

Mess Jacket. Enhanced shoulder boards are worn and the buttons on the jacket are silver Auxiliary buttons. The men's jacket is closed with a short silver chain through small button holes. Shirts are white tuxedo shirts pleated for men, frilled and pleated for women. Shirts are closed using brushed silver studs. Black bow tie for gents, black tab tie for the ladies. Black slacks are worn with braces, women have the option of a black floor-length skirt. A silver cummerbund is worn (pleats up).

Combination cap is worn.



**Sunday—no uniforms for Auxiliary members.**

*For complete guidance on uniforms and their proper wear check the National U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary website / Human Resources Department.*

[Click here for direct link.](#)



**Operational Dress Uniform (ODU)**

The ODU is worn for operational duty assignments including missions and work at some U,S, Coast Guard facilities.

**NOTE: ODUs are not authorized for wear at any time**

[Click here for direct link.](#)

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