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Shipmates-Hello and I hope all is well. As we begin the job of making 2023 a success, I hope all members are staying healthy and working on your personal and auxiliary goals. D-Train is scheduled for March 3rd to 5th at the Hilton Wilmington/Christina, Newark, Delaware. Please register now if you have not. Also, we congratulate our new bridge recently sworn in at the Change of Watch.

“There are three ways to ultimate success: The first way is to be kind. The second way is to be kind. The third way is to be kind.” —

Mister Rogers

Semper Paratus

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NEW DIVISION BRIDGE TAKES COMMAND

On Saturday, February 11th, the 2023 Division Change of Watch Luncheon took place at the Corinthian Yacht Club, along with the swearing in of the new Division Bridge. It was well attended by many division personnel and family members. Our new bridge was also sworn in to take the helm of 04-76. Congratulations to Andy Crowley-Division Commander and Scott Sigman-Vice Division Commander.





Congratulations to Allaire Corbett-FC, and Bob Corrigan-VFC.
Scott Sigman new DVFC.

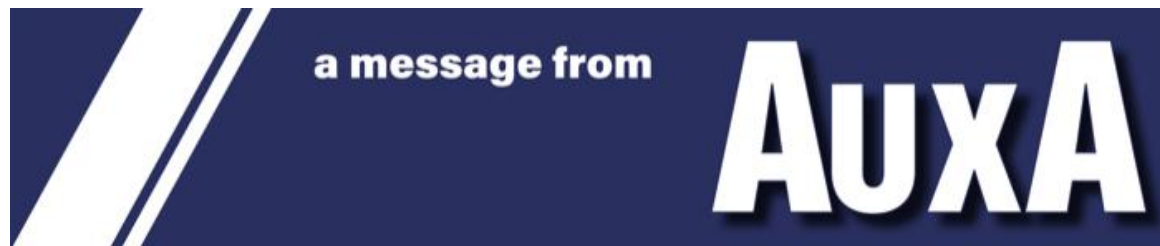


Bob Corrigan was awarded the 2022 Auxiliarist of the Year.
Congratulations

AUXILIARY MEMBERS MAKING NEWS

Our very own Jimmy DeLeon is one of 10 candidates in the run for Mayor of Philadelphia. Recently Scott caught up to Jimmy during a candidate's event in Philadelphia and shared this photo! We wish you all the best Jimmy in your bid to lead the city of Brotherly Love.





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Subj: SOLICITATION FOR VOLUNTEERS TO SUPPORT THE COAST
GUARD NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE TASK FORCE

1. The recently released ALCOAST 046/23 solicits volunteers to support various aspects of the National Scout Jamboree (NSJ) scheduled for July 19-28, 2023, at the Bechtel Summit Reserve in Beckley, West Virginia. Coast Guard Auxiliarists are authorized to be assigned to duty to participate.
2. This high-visibility event presents a great opportunity for the Coast Guard to educate and inform a target audience of future leaders from around the nation about the Coast Guard's missions and objectives. The NSJ brings together male and female Scouts, and adult leaders for training and outdoor adventures and experiences. Scout attendance is expected to exceed 40,000, with an additional 10,000 daily visitors. During previous Jamborees, the Coast Guard's exhibit required 80-100 active duty, reserve, civilian, Auxiliary, and retired volunteers.
3. Auxiliarists interested in participating should read ALCOAST 046/23 for important details about the event and how to apply for it. ALCOAST 046/23 is attached and can also be found at: [ALCOAST \(uscg.mil\)](https://www.uscg.mil/ALCOAST).
4. An Auxiliarist, regardless of organizational level at which they may hold an elected or appointed office, must first route their email application to their Flotilla Commander (FC) for awareness and endorsement (an FC must first route their own email application to their Division Commander (DCDR)). The FC or DCDR must then route applications to the District Director of Auxiliary (DIRAUX) for

awareness and endorsement. The DIRAUX will then forward the application to the NSJ coordinators identified in ALCOAST 046/23.

5. 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 II.

*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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From the VFC Desk

For whatever reason we joined the Auxiliary, one common thing that binds us is volunteerism: Nobody forced us to join, and we knew the duty would not be paid. This means a few things: we had disposable time, and believed our efforts had value independent of receiving money.

All of us have varying reasons; we also have varying amounts of time to dedicate. As life goes on, sometimes the time we commit increases, and sometimes decreases. The Auxiliary, along with work, family, and recreational pursuits, must be balanced for a happy life.

I thank those of you who choose to participate, especially flotilla officers. The flotilla depends on its officers to keep the organization running smoothly, for the benefit of both the members and the Coast Guard we serve. The Coast Guard will be more than ever in need of our services, suffering a 20 percent shortfall in personnel staffing.

Now is a great time to reevaluate what you can commit to the Auxiliary because opportunities will be coming quickly, and our Coast Guard **NEEDS** our help.

One final note: The Aux works best when we work as a team. Sometimes in volunteer organizations, a small minority does much of the work. I'd like to work towards a goal where responsibilities are *decentralized* and *distributed*, and we will discuss those concepts at a future flotilla meeting.

Until then, Semper Paratus and thank you for being a part of something special.

Sincerely,
Bob Corrigan
VFC

FROM THE EDITOR:

A note of appreciation to Scott and Bob for contributing to this month's issue of the February newsletter. As I've always said, it takes us all to support this project, and their continued support is greatly appreciated. I encourage members to submit articles you feel would be of interest to the general membership.

This is your voice and we are interested in your thoughts.

