

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY District Eleven North Region DIVISION COMMANDERS REPORT



To: DCO Dean McFarren, Curtis Han, DCOS 05MAR21

From: Michael Brown, Division Commander Division: South Bay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1. New SO-VE
- 2. Newsletter
- 3. Reported hours

HIGHLIGHT DETAILS:

- 1. Flotilla San Jose's IPFC Jill Weeks has volunteered to head up our division VE office. She is also our Chair for NSBW.
- 2. Our premier edition Division Newsletter by our SO-PB to be published by 14MAR21.
- 3. After an email prompt to the division at the end of FEB, more members submitted hours than in previous months.

PROJECTS:

1. Flotilla Redwood City is preparing to upgrade their meeting place at the Port of Redwood City's "tower" in order to make the space more user-friendly, and to better host any flotilla/division classes and events open to the public.

TEMPORARY PROBLEMS:

- 1. Encouraging members to get out of AP status. Assisting those who are struggling with any qualification to maintain currency.
- 2. Bringing up to speed members not familiar or apprehensive with AUXDATA II.
- 3. Three SO positions remain vacant: NS, DV, and PV.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

PACS Sherri Eng, USCGR, D11 Public Affairs, spoke at our FEB division meeting. She vividly described her involvement with Hurricane Harvey and various events over the past two decades in serving. She entreated the Auxiliary overall to work with the active duty in regard to public affairs. Senior Chief Eng gave a positive and informative presentation and it was well-received by all in attendance.

ADDITIONAL

Division leadership continues to focus on retention and morale-building for 2021. Recruiting efforts are ongoing in all flotillas.

<u>DIVISION SOUTH BAY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:</u> Leading through proactive mentoring and support, we intend to empower <u>all</u> of our shipmates. Our vision: Never be satisfied with standards.

- Bring 100% of existing members in AP status into IQ or BQ by mid-year, reinforcing retention
- Emphasize the reporting of all hours
- Qualify 2 new Vessel Examiners
- OPTREX to be held at Port of Redwood City 31JUL21
- Increase the number of patrols out of our port at Redwood City
- Encourage members to try new offices outside their comfort zones
- Increase participation in mission areas that are currently staffed and build interest/awareness of new mission areas
- Continue our close partnering with Division Gold Coast in surface operations and overall activities
- Bring in 10 new members
- Always striving to be "Semper Paratus"

Photo Gallery



PACS Sherri Eng, USCGR Photo Credit: Unknown

Redwood City "Tower" Photo Credit: Unknown

Respectfully Submitted,

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