Date: March 2018

From: Jane D. Smith, DSO-Public Affairs
Thru: Ann Zocchi, DCAPT- Prevention

To: Commodore Wally Smith

**Subject:** District Staff Officer – Public Affairs – February Activities

March 2018 Report

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

**Division 1:** Gail Giacomini – SO-PA, Roger Bazeley – FSO-PA

**Division 3:** Bob Schabert – SO-PA **Division 4:** Jimmin Chang – SO-PA

**Division 5:** Ingemar Olsson – SO-PA, Frank Cappuro – FSO-PA

Division 6: MikeGoldberg-64, FSO-PA, Bobbi Kamil-64, SO-PB, Sean Sheehan-67 –

FC/PA,

**Division 7:** Lana Visser-DCDR - SO-PA **Division 8:** Dorothy De Lope — FSO-PA 88

Division 10: Doug Lazo - Flotilla - 10-5 - FSO-PA, Karl Keller - 10-3

**Division 11:** Nothing to Report

Division 12: No Report

Honor Guard: Karen Yoder - ADSO District 11 Northern: Activities AUXAIR: Larry Olson – DSO-AV DSO-PA Report: Jane D. Smith

### **DETAILS:**

### **Division 1:**



# **USCG Auxiliary January PCA and District PA Training**

Auxiliarists Public Affairs Session, Jane Smith, Mary Kirkwood, COMO Wally Smith,





Photos Roger Bazeley PA

In January a Two day PCA Training is held on Alameda USCG Base, along with a Quarterly District Meeting. A memorial and Remembrance for Linda Vetter who was well known and beloved for her 30 years dedication to Sector SF Operations and Exercises and Patrol with her Vessel "Silver Charm".



Bravo Zulu!
Sector San Francisco Boat Crew
honoring Linda Vetter at Remeberance
Memorial with Prayers and Slide Show
of Life U.S.C.G. Auxiliary and part of
"TEAM COAST GUARD"
OPERATIONS

Instructor Training was also held with Jim Losi at the helm at the PCA Faire.
USCGAUX Instructor Class Presentations and PQS sign-offs...







Swearing in of 3 FSOs for 2018 Left Photo; Sue Fry, Bart Rugo, Norton Right Photo: USCGAUX FC Bill Burns handing out Awards for Service Hours to Roger Bazeley



Roger Bazeley FSO-PA/FSO-PB accepting 7,500 HRS Sustained Service and FC Bill Burns

### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS: COMMUNITY OUTREACH**



NLUS Annual U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Annual Inspection and Awards Ceremony
Held at USCG Sector San Francisco Facilities



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Arkansas Division Cadet of the Quarter Awards, Special Achievement Awards
Presented by Phelps Hobart PMMC NLUS Council President



#### **Division 3:**

Divison 3 has decided to order professional indoor and outdoor displays. Our first order will be for the indoor display which will be designed for the typical 10 x 10 indoor display.

The background will be in 3 panels which mesure 33.5 inches wide and 80 inches high. The display will also have a flat screen display and two brochure racks, all of which will sit on a 10 x 10 blue carpet.

Divison3 should have this in our posession by the end of April with anticipation of our outdoor display being completed in time for NSBW.

These displays are available at:

## https://www.capitalexhibits.com/us-coast-guard-auxiliary-displays.html



Flotilla 3-3 and Flotilla 3-10 participated in a team effort with 3-1 and 3-5 for the development of the Division 3's new PA Display.

#### Division 4:

SAN JOSE, Calif. – Division 4 recently was awarded the 75 year streamer. Alan Stanton, Vice Division Commander worked on mounting it onto our Division flag (left and center photos.) In the far right photo, Michael Brown, Division Commander and Alan Stanton posted in front of the colors with the 75 year streamer mounted, in our monthly Division meeting held on 28 February, 2018.







In the Division meeting, Michele Gibson, our Human Resources Staff Officer, who is also qualified in AUX-Food Service, brought in from her catering service gourmet hors d'oeuvres for our members to enjoy. In the photo below, Michele was heating up the artichoke dip, and setting out the vegetable plate, chips, and desserts. She will be preparing more gourmet hors d'oeuvres for our March Division meeting, so we can encourage more members in the Division to show up and participate.

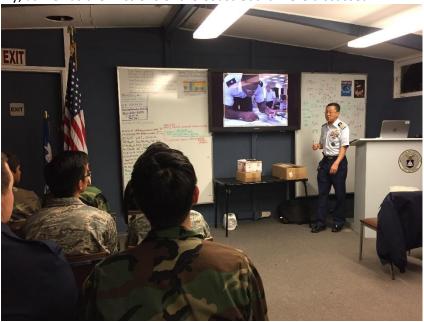


SAN JOSE, Calif. – Almaden Flotilla 48 moved their meeting location from the Willow Glen area to Cambrian community in San Jose, and met at the Parish Center of St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, on 14 February,

2018. During the meeting, Jimmin Chang (left), Flotilla Commander for 2017 passed along the Division 4 Flotilla of the Year trophy to Chris Johnson (right), Flotilla Commander for 2018.



PALO ALTO, Calif. – On 27 February, 2018, qualified U.S. Coast Guard Academy Admissions Partner, Jimmin Chang of Flotilla 48, made a presentation to the Civil Air Patrol cadet and adult members of the Jon E. Kramer Composite Squadron 10, based at Palo Alto Airport. The admission process and the making of a Coast Guard Officer at the Academy, as well as the missions of the Coast Guard were discussed.



SAN JOSE, Calif. – Derek Lyon McKeil, Flotilla 49 Commander, was setting up his Auxiliary mobile radio facility for static display in a public affairs event, at the San Jose History Park, last year.



**DIVISION 5:** 

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Flotilla 55 had its first big PA Event of the year. The Lake Sonoma Steelhead Festival was as big as ever. Over two thousand people enjoyed the day, as great weather once again blessed this event. We signed four memberships that came from this one day alone, plus several PE enquirers. The day wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of members...John Guaraglia, Larry Kubo, Jim Matthies, Pat O'Reilly, Wil Sumner, Jeff Tuttle, Doug Twitchell (FC) and yours truly. Frank Capurro.

#### Division 6:

#### Valentine's Day Party a Team Effort!

The Monterey Flotilla of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary (64), with the help of a few of our Capitola (6-10) friends, collaborated to throw a great party for our active duty brethren and their families on February 16.

Thanks to Marsha Taylor, of Flotilla 64, and her team, the decorations turned the mess into a veritable balloon haven and the raffle they offered got everyone in the holiday spirit. The kids were especially excited to win the stuffed animals that Michelle Goldberg, of Flotilla 64, provided.

The menu offered a perfect feast to the more than sixty attendees. It included:

Raw Veggie Platter with Ranch Dressing

Chips, Salsa and Guacamole

Boneless chicken thighs with Barbecue sauce

Tri-tip roast

Chicken nuggets

Baked potatoes (with all the trimmings)

Baked beans

Grilled artichokes

Fresh roasted vegetables (carrots / broccoli / cauliflower)

Caesar salad

Beverages

Dessert (cake)

(Ice cream)

Each dish was cooked to perfection by enthusiastic Auxiliary chefs and there were even leftovers to make sure that the Coasties had a chance to remember the festivities for at least a second day!



Lieutenant Kate Giguere XO-Station Monterey (on right) chatting with Coasties

And family members



DCDR, Jerry Edelen, Flotilla 64's, SO-PB/FS, Bobbi Kamil and Tony Budlong



Coasties & Families participating with Auxiliarists for this Valentines Party Event



Alex Urciuoli and Bill Dodson



Wally Smith, Angela Urciuoli & yours truly



Two Coasties getting their photo with the ballooned doll;)

#### Flotilla 67

- 1) Promotion of March 3rd Auxiliary course About Boating Safely on flotilla 67 Facebook page
- 2) In accordance with Flotilla 67's Diversity Plan, promoted two articles in celebration of National African American History Month on Facebook. One, a Gold Side profile of Dr Olivia Hooker, the first African American woman to enlist in the Coast Guard and current Coast Guard Auxiliary member who just turned 103 in February. The second, a profile by Foundation for Coast Guard History of CPO Alex Haley, the famous author of the books Roots and Autobiography of Malcom X.
- 3) Promoted VE program on Facebook ads, resulting in 585 views and one request for a VE.
- 4) Promoted USCG/CPSC messages concerning Kidde manufactured marine fire extinguisher recall. Resulted in one contact for more information and request for help in identifying.
- 5) Continued monthly themed boating safety message postings to Santa Cruz Harbor boards and Facebook page. See attachment for example.

Narrative submission: SANTA CRUZ--At February 2018 Flotilla 67 Santa Cruz meeting, Auxiliary member Radeene Anguiano delivered 20 new-baby packs she had made. These packs containing a blanket, knitted baby cap and booties, plush toy and book are given to Coast Guard Families celebrating new arrivals and are carried by Coast Guard Cutters making port calls in developing countries to use as friendship donations. This shipment brings her total count of these gifts to more than 440.



Radeene Anguiano



SANTA CRUZ--At February 2018 Flotilla 67 Santa Cruz meeting, Auxiliary member **Keith Pinnix** is presented certificate by Jerry Edelen, Division 6 DCCR. Mr. Pinnix completed more than 70 hours of Auxiliary Operations time.



SANTA CRUZ--At February 2018 Flotilla 67 Santa Cruz meeting, Auxiliary member **Glen Marshall** is presented training completion certificate by Jerry Edelen, Division 6 DCCR. Mr. Marshall completed qualifications for Auxiliary Instructor. Mr. Marshall is currently serving as Flotilla 67 Santa Cruz Vice Flotilla Commander.

#### **DIVISION 7:**

Division 7 participated in the 52nd annual Utah Boat Show & Watersports Expo held at the Mountain America Credit Union Events Center in Sandy, Utah, on February 8-11, 2018. This event features multiple dealers and vendors who bring and display almost anything related to boating; from all different types of boats to boating

accessories to life jackets, swimsuits, and everything in between. Public attendance at this year's event was 21,938.



We decided to try something different this year, and with help from the event management (Greenband Enterprises) who provided us with an additional **10'** x **10'** booth space, we added some activities to our booth that helped increase the foot traffic to our booth. In addition to our usual backdrop display and table with pamphlets, we added hands-on activities.



Tony and Ann Zocchi with Lana Visser working with visitors at the booth



Ann Zocchi showing how to tie knots

We had a "Coastie Game" for the kids about water safety along with coloring books and crayons, a display of the items we check for when we do VSCs so we could "show and tell" people about getting a VSC done on their boat, some toy wooden boats to demonstrate "boating rules of the road," and a station to learn how to tie basic knots commonly used on boats. Who knew tying knots would be such a hit! We had a lot of people stop to tie knots, which also led to talking about other topics like taking a boating class and getting a VSC.

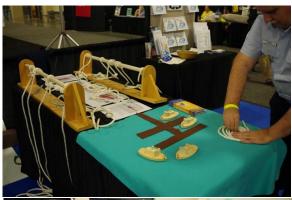




Carl Henning, Lana Visser and Ann Zocchi showing more visitors Knot tying

We had 20 Auxiliarists who helped with the booth this year and put in 115 hours of volunteer time. With the activities added we had a lot more fun in the booth and were able to talk to more people. So we are starting to work on next year's booth with even more activities!







Lana Visser, Mike Thompson and Carl Henning working with more visitors







10' x 10' Display area at boat show

#### **DIVISION 8:**

#### **USCG Auxiliary holds Change of Watch ceremony**

On February 10, the members of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) Auxiliary, Flotilla 8-8 of Lake County, met for their annual Change of Watch ceremony at the Konocti Bay Sailing Club facility located at Braito's Marina, in Kelseyville, California. This ceremony commemorates the changing of the flotilla commander and its staff officers for the year of 2018.

Officiating at the ceremony were Division Command (DCRC) Carl Pierce and Division Vice Commander (VCDR) Wayne Pero both from Flotilla 839 in Redding, California. Given the oath of office were Roberto Morfin as Flotilla Commander (FC) and Kevin Curry as Vice Flotilla Commander (VFC). The appointed staff officers were also given the oath of office for their respective offices.

FC Morin is serving his second year as Flotilla 8-8 commander. As part of the ceremony, FC Morin and VFC Gary Jolley presented the newly elected VFC Curry with his official should boards.

The USCG Auxiliary consists of over 30,000 volunteer members throughout our country who provide operations support to the USCG and dedicated to promoting recreational boating safety for the public.



FC Roberto Morin, left, and VFC Gary Jolly, right, attach new shoulder boards to newly elected VFC Kevin Curry.

#### **DIVISION 10:**

Flotilla 10-5 On February 7, 2018, 1500Hrs, Douglas Lazo, FC from flotilla 10-5 responded to Clovis Memorial District meeting. At this meeting Commander Lazo introduced to the 40 different Veterans organizations from the Fresno/Clovis districts Ms. Abigail Dolan, Candidate for the United States Coast Guard Academy. She spoke on why she wanted to be a member of the upcoming class. Many of the veterans in attendance representing VFW's were impressed with Ms. Dolan's speech and advised that they would send a letter of recommendation to the Coast Guard Commandant at the academy. Ms. Dolan and her father Brian currently completing membership in Flotilla 10-5 Fresno. Ms. Dolan at 17 will be our youngest Auxiliarists in Flotilla 10-5.

On February 21, 2018, 1500Hrs. Douglas Lazo, FC from flotilla 10-5 participated at the City Hall, Fresno, California for a special President's Day Celebration. Over 100 dignitaries and City Hall members were in attendance. The United States Army Band, Central California Chapter, entertained those in attendance. The guest speaker was Mr. Wayne Scott, a profession President Lincoln actor and is an expert on the subject of our 16th president. He has portrayed Mr. Lincoln for over 20 years in many events nationally. Mr. Scott himself has a colorful background, he is a Vietnam Veteran, who served in the U.S. Army as an infantry Captain. He has also served on the Salinas Police Department for several years, and as an educator in the San Joaquin Valley.

**Flotilla 10-3** Yes it is the boys in orange. We spend our day, on February 11<sup>th</sup>, patrolling the waters of the San Joaquin Delta. We promote boating safety and lend a helping hand to those who need it. Then once in a while we are in the right place at the right time. Today was one of those days. The crew of Auxiliary Vessel Toots rescued two persons from the cold waters of the Stockton Deep Water Channel. With the help of the San Joaquin Sheriff boat the Jet Ski was also saved. Semper Paratus see you all on the water and always be safe.



Daniel Glenn, Flotilla 05-2 and Karl Keller Flotilla, Flotilla 10-3



Friday March 2, 2018 - San Joaquin County Sheriff Steve Moore Recognizes Auxiliarists Karl Keller and Dan Glenn for their heroic actions on February 11, 2018, that resulted in saving the lives of two individuals who were found not wearing life jackets and struggling to survive in the water after their jet ski had capsized. The San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office sincerely appreciates your continued service, commitment, and partnership in ensuring the education and safety of the public in the San Joaquin waterways and in preventing their injury and loss of life. Karl is a member of 113-10-03 in Stockton and Dan is a member of 113-05-02 in Benicia.



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#### **DIVISION 11:**

No Report

#### **DIVISION 12:**

No Report

#### **Honor Guard:**

A meeting and training session was held in February, 2018 at Coast Guard Island in Alameda, California. The meeting began, with acting captain, Tracy Schultz, discussing new business. Then, Mr. Schultz reviewed all of the positions held and their responsibilities. A training session occurred directly after the meeting where every command was shown by Commander Williamson, retired, and then each command was practiced several times until everyone was performing it correctly. The Honor Guard also practiced several "what if" scenarios, so we would be prepared in various situations. The meeting was adjourned and many members went for a fellowship lunch.

## AUXAIR: Nothing yet Reported

Respectfully reported,
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