



**Date: October 2022**  
**From: Jane D. Smith, DSO-Public Affairs**  
**Thru: Bruce Martin, DCAPT-Prevention**  
**To: Commodore Dean McFarren**  
**Subject: Activities Report for September / October 2022**

**Doug Manifold – Deputy ADSO – PA – National Division Chief of Ethics, Standards & Oral Boards**

**From the Deputy Corner:**

**Nothing to Report**

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**Division 1 – FSO-PA – Marisa Hoke**

No report Submitted

**Division 3 – SO-PA – Rich Celia**

No report Submitted

**Division 4 – SO position vacant**

No report Submitted

**Division 5 – Jim Matthies – VFC/ PA -5-5**

**FL 52 – SO-PA Report– Sept 2022 (consolidated by K Galvin, FL 53)**

**Auxiliary Unit Coordinator Special Report – USCG Station Vallejo – For September 2022**

**Summary – On September 16, 2022, USCG Station Vallejo held its Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at their new facilities at the Vallejo Municipal Marina. (Pictures follow this AUC Report)**

LTJG Matthew Lesyk, from Sector SF, who was the Point of Contact, executed a well-planned Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our deserving shipmates at Station Vallejo!

1. BRAVO ZULU. It was a team effort from all-hands from Sta Vallejo.
2. The set-up, food, tours, and proceedings were extraordinary.
3. BOSN Holt and his shipmates looked sharp and made a very positive impression.
4. USCG, USCG Auxiliary and Local dignitaries were among the 100+ attendees.

5. I heard a lot of positive comments regarding the ceremony and the new Station Vallejo Facilities.
6. First new facility for the USCG in over 20 years.
7. Extraordinary Public Affairs event for the USCG.



**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and tours of the New USCG Station Vallejo**  
Photos by Glenn Hunter, FL 52

### **Coast Guard holds ribbon cutting ceremony for new Vallejo search and rescue**





Vallejo Calif 9.16.22  
USCG District 11

Photos by Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Taylor Bacon,

Vallejo, Calif. — Coast Guard Station Vallejo held a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the new search and rescue facility in Vallejo Municipal Marina, Friday.

Station Vallejo's new \$14 million, 13,200-square foot facility is located approximately 3.5 miles northwest of their former temporary location at the California Maritime Academy and consists of a new boat bay for small boat maintenance, berthing for 14 watchstanders, a galley, command center, training room, and fitness room.

Since 1996, station members have been housed in temporary facilities. They have had to relocate twice due to funding constraints and obstacles.

The station was first commissioned as Station Carquinez in 1977, located at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard. After the Navy yard shut down, Station Vallejo relocated to the California Maritime Academy in 1996. In September of 2001, the station moved to the Vallejo Municipal Marina after the end of the lease at California Maritime Academy. In 2018, it returned to California Maritime Academy, awaiting completion of the new station.

The unit consists of 27 personnel and three 29-foot Response Boat-Small and is responsible for search and rescue and law enforcement missions. The unit's area of responsibility extends from San Pablo Bay to Suisun Bay and as far east as Simmons Point.

### **Division 6 – Como Wally Smith – DCDR, Flotilla 6-10**

For over ten years, our local Auxiliary has been asked to provide safety zone support for the Monte Foundation Fireworks Extravaganza launched from the Capitola Wharf on the second Sunday of October. This is a major fundraising event for this local charity. The Monte Foundation's stated purpose is as follows:

*Dedicated to the children of Santa Cruz County, the Monte Foundation has been raising money for schools, sports fields, a family skate park and the Capitola Library. Supporting the Monte Foundation means supporting our community, we are dedicated to community involvement and improvement.*

This year was no exception! Two Auxiliary facilities out of Santa Cruz, *Mei Long* & *C.R.A.F.T. Moment*, participated each with a full crew of six. As has been their history, Monte Foundation fireworks display was one of the best anyone could remember.



**Moored and awaiting the start of the show, crew members Tracy Schultz, Jerry Edelen, & Jane Smith.**



**The fireworks enjoyed by COMO Wally Smith on the bow of C.R.A.F.T. Moment.**



**As fog lingered in the area, the show proceeded and was thoroughly enjoyed by all!**

## **Division 6 - Michael Goldberg– FSO-PA, Flotilla 64**



**PCA training on September 17-18** the PCA training fair was held on Coast Guard Island Alameda. This was the first PCA since the Covid pandemic. Many training classes were held during the weekend. District elections were held during the PCA event. Division 6 had several member in attendance.

## **Division 8 – Dorothy DeLope – FSO-PA**

### **LIFE JACKET RACK AT CLEAR LAKE STATE PARK**

Following the monthly meeting of Flotilla 88 of Lake County on September 10, 2022, several members built a life jacket rack in the cabinet shop of Flotilla Commander Kevin Kealey in Lower Lake, California.

The rack was specifically constructed to hold the children’s lifejackets which are loaned out to the youngster under the supervision of the lifeguard at Clear Lake State Park’s swimming beach. Also, earlier this summer, the Flotilla built and donated a life jacket rack for the swimming area of Spanish Flat Campground at Lake Berryessa in Napa County.

The Flotilla has partnered with the Clear Lake State Park for this loaner program which will help keep the youngsters safe while in the water.



Building Life Jacket rack – Clear Lake: Wayne Farnholtz, Art Martinez and Rich Thomas



Art Martinez with life jacket rack installed at Clear Lake State Park



The finished life jacket rack: FC Kevin Kealey, Wayne Farnholtz and Art Martinez

**Division 10 – Rebecca O’Brian-Witt - SO–PA**

Nothing to Report

**Division 11 – Bill Stolz – SO–PA – Flotilla 11-01**

Nothing to Report

**Division 12 - Jim Losi - Public Affairs, PCA President & DSO-HR**

No report submitted

Very respectfully submitted,  
Jane D. Smith,



**District Staff Officer - Public Affairs 2**