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**U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
District 11 Northern Region**
Serving Northern California, Nevada, Utah



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TO: COMO Dean McFarren

CC: DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF
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FROM: Jim Losi, DSO-HR

RE: **PCA - OCT 2022**

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Members who have crossed the bar prior to 2022 but reported in 2022:
 - a. **Daniel E. Tinney**, #1176488, DOD 15 DEC 2021
 - b. **Frank Braun**, Flotilla 113-05-01, DOD 2 DEC 2020
 - c. **Juanita Martin**, Flotilla 113-08-10, DOD 2020

2. Members who have crossed the bar in 2022:
 - a. **Arlan L. Christle**, Flotilla 113-05-01, DOD 8 MAR 2022
 - b. **Carol Ray**, Flotilla 113-10-03, DOD 6 FEB 2022 -Awaiting verification of past service
 - c. **Charles M. Duncan, AKA Charlie Duncan**, Flotilla 113-08-39, DOD - 18 March 2022.
 - d. **Harold Berg**, Flotilla 113-10-05, DOD 23 MAR 2022
 - e. **Varon B. Smith, Jr.**, Flotilla 113-12-01, DOD 10 APR 2022.
 - f. **Palmer O. Wilkins**, Flotilla 113-01-04, DOD 22 MAR 2022.
 - g. **Christopher (Chris) Thomas Jewell**, of Flotilla 113-8-07, DOD 7 JULY 2022
 - h. **James Robert Snyder**, Flotilla Number 113-03-05, DOD JUL 2022
 - i. **Roseann Fox**, Flotilla 113-03-01, DOD 16 JUN 2022
 - j. **Desmond Peter Wytman**, Flotilla 113-06-04, DOD 26 JUL 2022

k. Michael C. Levin, Flotilla 113-01-04, DOD 25
OCT 2022

3. The PCA election for President and Vice President will take place on Tuesday, 15 November 2022, @ 1900, the day before the November District staff meeting.
 - a. Mike Thompson has submitted his letter of intent to run for PCA President, and Nancy Marion has submitted her letter for PCA Vice President.
4. We have started planning for the January 2023 PCA Fair already. The January PCA Fair will have a new suite of FC leadership courses and include a luncheon aboard one of the National Security cutters in port for attending FCs. All of the newly elected DCDRs will be invited for a lunch aboard as well.
5. Continue the analysis of the redesign of the Aux Memorial.

Projects

- Planning for September 2022 PCA Fair
- Affixing of member names on the Memorial
- Updating D11NR Website - PCA portal

Future Activities

- Planning for September 2022 PCA Fair

Challenges

- Creating a sensible and cost-effective plan for affixing member names on the Memorial
- Planning for a Fall PCA Fair in a COVID or Post COVID environment

Goals and Objectives

- Create world-class leadership training for D11 members
- Bring the Memorial up to date with member names

Figure 1 - MOS - Charlie Duncan

Let us all, as we go forth in our various roles in the District 11 North Auxiliary, remember what our departed members have given us and let us in our own way carry on in uplifting the ideals of our organization.

Though our best words only approximate the grandeur of their living, the testimony of their dreams, commitments and ideas will live on in our memories and in our hearts. As long as the Auxiliary lives on, they will live on. Our love and respect for them will never die and they will always be remembered in our hearts. Being in the Auxiliary, we never want to hear that one of our brothers and sisters crossed the bar.

Another tear will fall the next time we gather at the Antlers' OPTREX and we toll the boats as we notice the empty seats where Charlie Duncan once sat. We will miss him at the annual Antlers OPTREX where he was a guiding force for so many years.

It is with honor and dignity that we come together during this rare and much valued face-to-face board and staff meeting to remember Palmer Wilkins and our fellow Auxiliarists who have left us during this past year. Let us pause for a moment of silent meditation and remember him in our own special way.

Figure 2 - MOS Palmer O. Wilkins

Every time we learn of a D11NR Auxiliary Member who has crossed the bar, we are begotten with sadness and a sense of loss. It is a natural part of the human condition. However, if we during our Auxiliary careers serve alongside a member who has crossed the bar, we are given the gift of learning, teamwork, and fraternity. Those sets of feelings are the balance to the sadness of missing that member. It is those sets of feelings that we hold in our hearts and minds and makes us better Auxiliarists.

Being an Auxiliarist is both special and a privilege. Being a part of such a team allows us to grow in skills and character while serving the boating public, our active-duty shipmates as well as our country. Palmer Wilkins has crossed the bar after 56 years of serving as an Auxiliary member in Flotilla 01-04. His service to the Auxiliary cause and mission has been a lesson and an inspiration to us all.

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Figure 3 Michael C. Levin, Flotilla 113-01-04

We have a strong tradition in our District that when a member crosses the bar, we pause, honor, and reflect on the contributions and memory of that member. Making the time and opportunity and thinking about members as they pass is what makes our District the great one that it is.

Today we honor the memory of Michael C. Levin, who was the embodiment of the values of gratitude, purpose, and teamwork. Mike was a member in good standing for 49 years. That is a remarkable example of his devotion to duty. We all held Mike in high esteem as a member of our D11 family. We shall miss his presence at our meetings and his assistance in our many programs of service. We acknowledge the obligation that he leaves with us - that we carry on, each of us, with greater zeal so that those things which he would have helped us to accomplish will not be left undone.

It is with honor and dignity that we come together during this board and staff meeting to remember Mike and our fellow Auxiliarists who have left us during this past year. Let us pause for a moment of silent meditation and remember him in our own special way.

Figure 4 - Desmond Peter Wytman, Flotilla 113-06-04

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It is with honor and dignity that we come together during this rare and much valued face-to-face board and staff meeting to remember Desmond and our fellow Auxiliarists who have left us during this past year. Let us pause for a moment of silent meditation and remember him in our own special way.