

- DATE: 15 May 2021
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### RE: **PCA - MAY 2021**

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- 1. Member(s) who passed over the bar in 2021:
  - a. Dan Stora Swett on 14 JAN 2021, Flotilla 113-01-05
  - b. Jim Dale Blackburn on 7 FEB 2021, Flotilla 113-05-07
  - c. Lex Byers on 11 FEB 2021, Flotilla 113-01-04
  - d. K. Sterling Hansen on 5 FEB 2021, Flotilla 113-07-06/Retired 31 DEC 1997
  - e. Shirley Carmichael Jackson on 7 MAR 2021, Flotilla 113-06-04
  - f. Hannelore S. Maddox on 18 MAR 2021, Flotilla 113-08-39
  - g. James Adrian Dragon on 15 April 2021, Flotilla 113-01-07
- 2. Mike Thompson completed and submitted the 7025 for the PCA.
- 3. MOS for James Adrian Dragon to be read aloud during the May District meeting can be seen in Figure 1.

#### **Projects**

- Planning for November Memorial Presentation
- Affixing of member names on the Memorial
- Updating D11NR Website

#### **Future Activities**

- Planning for November Memorial Presentation
- Affixing of member names on the Memorial

#### Challenges

• Creating a sensible and cost effective plan for affixing of 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 - To be read aloud during May District meeting

Moment of Silence - James Adrian Dragon

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

Though our best words only approximate the grandeur of their living, the testimony of their dreams, the commitments and ideas will live on in our memories and in our hearts. As long as the Auxiliary lives on, they too will live on. Our love and respect for them will never die and they will always be remembered in our hearts.

Another tear will fall the next time we toll the boats as we notice the empty seat where James Adrian Dragon once sat. But he reminds us that:

I am alive in your memories and dreams when you sleep, I will greet you at sunset and with the moon's evening smile, I will light your path home every last lonely mile, My friends, have no fear, my work was done well, In this life I broke the waves and rode the swell, I found faith in those that I called my crew.

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

# Figure 2 - Read aloud during April District meeting

Moment of Silence - Hannelore Maddox

Words cannot express the tremendous grief our District is experiencing over the loss of Hannelore Maddox this past month. As an Auxiliary community, we are stunned. We mourn the loss of Hannelore, and our deepest sympathies go out to Mike, the Maddox family and their many friends.

"**Crossing the bar**" refers to the death of a mariner. The phrase has its origin in the fact that most rivers and bays develop a sandbar across their entrances, and "**crossing the bar**' **meant** leaving the safety of the harbor for the unknown."

However, Hannelore's many contributions and memory to all of us in District 11 will remain forever known and remembered. Her voice will forever be remembered as that source of clarity and direction. She selflessly served the members of Division 8 as the voice of comms during the many Antlers OPTREXs over the years as well as serving as a symbol of service to the District. She was symbolic of our core values of Honor, Respect and Devotion to Duty. She was what it meant to be an Auxiliairst.

Let us pause for a moment of silent meditation and remember Hannelore in our own special way.