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On Facebook we are found at: USCGAUX Flotilla 85-33-01

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

| 15 Oct | Election Dinner - Atlantic Iowa |
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| 17 Oct | Flotilla 1 Meeting |
| 21 Nov | Flotilla 1 Meeting |
| 24 Nov | Thanksgiving |

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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



As we start to close out our year and with elections just around the corner, I want to thank all of you for your continued support of the current leadership. You all have done a great job in your staff support roles and offering your services and expertise when needed. As volunteers you all have truly stepped up your efforts and believe me it has not gone unnoticed. Again, thank you all very much.

We have officially ended our active patrol season as a flotilla and everyone has completed their required patrol hours. Thanks again to Warren for all his help and patience in making himself available and to the members for getting those crew hours accomplished. As we all know, REYR is not a fun position to be in.

Some of you may have received a notification from Oracle Cron User. These are not SPAM Messages, rather automated AuxData system notifications of incomplete mission requirements. These notifications are for programs ranging from VSC, PV, instructor hours or other required tasks. Please review them and let's try to fill those holes before year end. If you do not want to be in a program, such as PV or VE, then let us know and we will get you removed from those programs.

Now that you all have put in your hours, please take the time to review your paperwork and let's get the credit for those hours. Again, this is not about any one person, rather those hours are used to calculate our value to the Coast Guard and the funding it receives for auxiliary support.

Finally, as you are out socializing this fall, let's try to find new members that you think will fit in with our organization. The "Fun One" still needs new members, and is always looking for fresh new ideas.

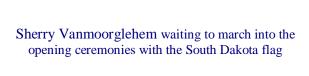
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Pictures by Pete Petersen

Pete Peterson waiting his turn to carry the Nebraska State Flag for the opening ceremony







Pete & Sherry looking relaxed prior to the start of the 2011 Fall Business Symposium

Photos by Jim Westcott









Flags and Color Guard at the Fall Business Symposium

Commodore Bob Smekta addressing the audience at the 2011 Fall Business Symposium





Tolling of the Bell Ceremony

Flotilla 33-1 Mission Statement

Flotilla 33-1, the "Fun One" is located in Omaha, Nebraska. Flotilla 33-1 is one of six other flotillas and is part of a larger organization, Division 33.

Flotilla 33-1 is a diverse group of volunteers that participate in many of the key areas the Auxiliary has to offer. These include: public education programs, courtesy vessel safety checks, operations, and fellowship.

We get our nickname "The Fun One" from the events that we do as a group and the fellowship we have with members and other organizations.

We work closely with other organizations and agencies to provide safe water education programs for kids as well as adults.



2011 Watch Words/Mission Statement/Goals:

Educate – Educate our members Evolve – Evolve processes Excel – Excel in our missions

Through member education and process evolution, we will excel in the missions outlined by the four cornerstones of the Auxiliary: VSCs, Public Education, USCG Operations and Fellowship.

Goals – Need to be:

- 1) Achievable
- 2) Measurable
- 3) Further our missions.

Frank Reiss DCDR 33 8WR



<u>Updates</u>



http://users.mo-net.com/district8wr/members/index.htm

Revised Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.G) Revision of the Coast Guard Auxiliary Manual was approved and signed by Vice Admiral Brian Salerno, Deputy Commandant for Operations, on 17 August 2011. This revised manual is now labeled Commandant Instruction M16790.1G. It supersedes the prior version of the Auxiliary Manual, Commandant Instruction M16790.1F, that was dated 18 May 2004.

A PDF version of the revised 710-page, 9.76 megabyte manual may be accessed at the following temporary URL: http://documents.cgaux.org/ temp/Auxiliary-Manual-CIM16790_1.pdf.

This posting is in advance of a 508-compliant version that will soon be posted on the Coast Guard and Chief Director of Auxiliary (CG-5421) web sites. That posting will also be announced by ALAUX. Hard copies of the Auxiliary Manual will not be made available for distribution.

USCG Auxiliary Uniform Code Changes - In 2011 there were substantial changes to the Coast Guard Auxiliary Uniform Code. The changes were addressed in a workshop at the District 8WR Fall Business Symposium on September 17, 2011. The workshop presentations are now available for units to present to their members. (You may find the links by going to the Members page in the District website noted above) The hyperlinks for the MS PowerPoint slides and the Adobe Acrobat slides will remain on the Materials Store and Used Uniform Exchange webpages.





As this section is not just for boating, here is some information from the internet article: WebMD.com

Flu Prevention Strategies

Looking for some flu prevention strategies? There's no denying that a bad case of flu can wipe you with symptoms of fever, congestion, fatigue, and body aches. And, according to the CDC, from 5% to 20% of the U.S. population gets the flu each year. More than 200,000 people are hospitalized each year as a result of flu complications, and about 3,000 to 49,000 deaths are linked to the flu annually.

How Is the Flu Spread?

A virus that infects the nose, throat, and lungs causes flu. Just like a cold virus, flu is usually spread from one person to the next when the infected person coughs or sneezes. The flu virus is passed from the lungs, throat, or nose of one person through the air to the next unsuspecting person. In addition, when people touch a surface -- or person -- that's contaminated with flu germs and then touch their eyes, nose, or mouth, they infect themselves with the flu virus.

What's the Best Way to Prevent the Flu?

To prevent flu, make sure you and your family members get a flu shot -- the essential key to flu prevention. You need it because there's no cure for the flu -- and flu complications can be really serious in some people, especially infants and young children, elderly adults, and people with heart disease, diabetes, lung disease, and other chronic medical problems.

Talk to your doctor to confirm if the flu shot is right for you. In addition, make sure those around you are immunized against flu so this viral infection does not become a "family affair" at your home.

The CDC recommends flu shots for children age 6 months to 18 years and all adults age 50 and older. It also recommends flu shots for anyone with certain chronic medical conditions, pregnant women, people living in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities, health care workers, anyone who has daily household contact with people in those risk groups, and household contacts and caregivers of children less than 6 months old.

Does the Flu Shot Have Side Effects?

If you're worried about flu shot side effects, don't be. Most of the time, there are no side effects from the flu shot. After all, the flu shot is made from dead viruses -- not live ones.

Still, some people may experience some mild vaccine side effects such as a low-grade fever, achiness, or a slight runny nose after getting a flu shot. A few people have experienced a rare severe allergic reaction from a flu shot. Talk to your doctor to see if you might be at risk for this rare problem.

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