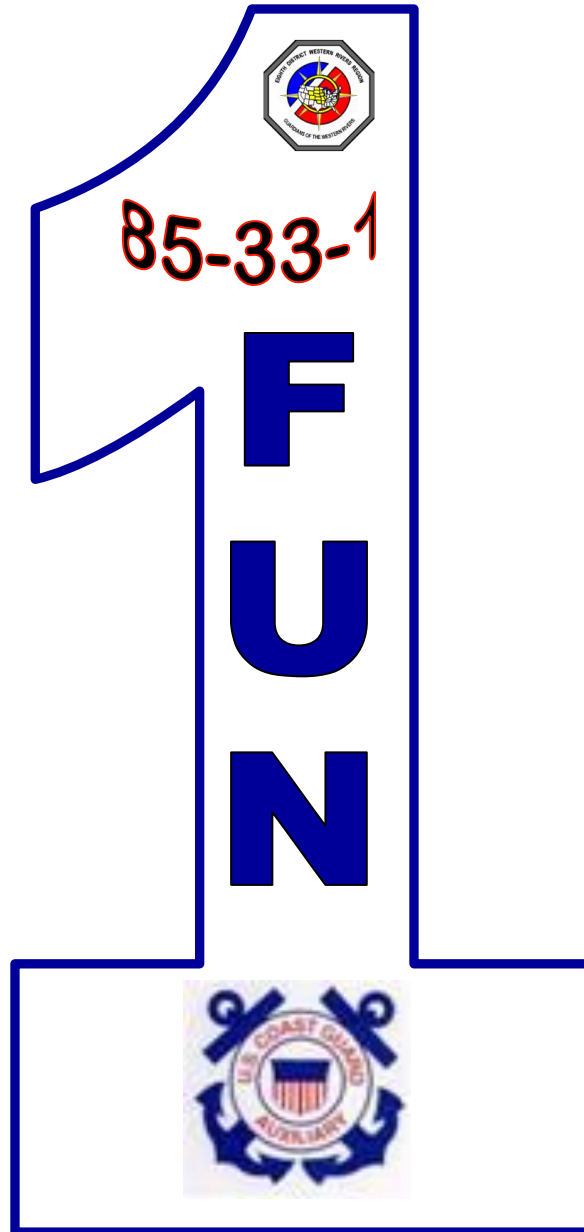


“The Fun One”

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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10 October	Division 33 Meeting, Training & Election Dinner
12 October	Columbus Day
19 October	Flotilla Meeting
23 October	Possible Gasconade River Race
31 October	Halloween
11 November	Veteran's Day
16 November	Flotilla Meeting
26 November	Thanksgiving

**See the calendars and check our website
for possible date changes**

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**Want to see more pictures?
Please remember to check out the website at:
http://wow.uscgaux.info/WO_W_signin.php**



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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



OCTOBER 2015

Fall is finally here, with winter not too far behind. Now is the time to consider winterizing your personal vehicles and residences. Remember our motto is “Semper Paratus,” and now is the time to prepare. Summer was interesting, lots of rain (happy face, we didn't have to water the lawn much). Does that mean that winter (and snow) will be equally moist? I don't know but . . . Be prepared.

Boating season is over, but our mission never ends. We need to plan for next year's boating safety classes and the inevitable boating season. Public service events are one way that we can make our presence in the area known. Please try to help with the River City Hunting and Fishing Expo in January (more details will follow.)

Stay safe!

**Barb Westcott FC
8WR 33-1**





Photos by members of Flotilla 33-01

Just a quick note to extend our sincerest appreciation for your contribution to the 2015 World O! Water. It would not have been the same without your participation – thank you!!

Estimated attendance is approximately 2000 people! The great turn-out reinforces the anticipation and support of local residents for the event. Quite a nice compliment!

Please extend our gratitude to your staff and any volunteers you may have coordinated.

If you have suggestions or would like to provide feedback, please feel free to contact me anytime.

The date for the 2016 WO!W has yet to be set, but once confirmed, I will definitely send you a Save the Date.

Thank you again!

Therese Pogge (on behalf of the WO!W Committee)

The following information was forwarded by James Wolfe of Flotilla 33-01

on September 27,2015

"Did they get off?"

Today, 73 years later, the #USCG remembers Signalman 1st Class Douglas Munro for the unparalleled heroism he displayed during the Battle of Guadalcanal, saving 500 U.S. Marine Corps troops.



Official Coast Guard painting of Munro's last moments while evacuating Marines at Guadalcanal.

"Douglas A. Munro Covers the Withdrawal of the 7th Marines at Guadalcanal" and was painted by artist Bernard D'Andrea for the Coast Guard Bicentennial Celebration.

"Did they get off?"

Those words may not be recognizable to anyone, but to each and every Coast Guard member, they represent a true Coast Guard hero: Signalman 1st Class Douglas Munro

Seventy-three years ago, those were the last words to Munro said prior to his death at the Battle of Guadalcanal.

Munro, alongside other Coast Guardsmen, was responsible for navigating landing craft full of U.S. Marine forces along the coast. The landing craft not only allowed for troop movements during the war effort, but also transferred crucial supplies to and from the troops during the height of battle.

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Signalman 1st Class Douglas A. Munro sent his family this snapshot of himself wearing side arms aboard his ship. U.S. Coast Guard photo.

A month after the initial landing at Guadalcanal, Munro joined 24 other U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Navy personnel assigned to Lunga Point Base, which served as a staging area for all the landing craft throughout the area. A month into the campaign, U.S. Marine Lt. Col. Lewis B. “Chesty” Puller embarked three companies of U.S. Marines into landing craft in an effort to push past their defensive line and take control of the western region of Guadalcanal.

Munro, just two weeks short of his 23rd birthday, took control of ten landing craft to move Puller’s men from the staging area to the western coast. After successfully landing and moving 500 yards inland, Munro took all but one of the landing craft and returned to the staging area. Just an hour after landing on the western coast of the island, the U.S. Marine forces were overcome by Japanese bombing raids, driving out their gunfire support and causing the situation to quickly deteriorate.

Just two hours later, the plight of the Marine forces was becoming known. The troops were being driven back to the beach, but many did not have access to radios to inform supporting units and request assistance. A single “HELP” spelled out in t-shirts on the ridge near the beach provided a sign of what the Marines needed.

Munro, back at the staging area but knowing of their needs, volunteered to navigate the same landing craft to rescue the Marines from enemy fire. Nearing the beach, the landing craft themselves came under enemy fire, causing many casualties and making the mission more dangerous by the minute. Despite all this, Munro directed the landing craft to push forward, even with Japanese forces gaining ground and nearing the beach.

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The Medal of Honor awarded to Signalman 1st Class Douglas A. Munro. U.S. Coast Guard photo.

As the Marines reembarked on the landing craft, Munro recognized the dangerous situation developing as Japanese forces were firing from only 500 yards beyond the beach where Marine forces were retreating. Munro immediately navigated his vessel between the enemy fire and the Marine forces, providing much-needed cover for the Marines. With his efforts, all of the Marines, including the wounded, were safely taken off the island. With this, the landing craft began to return to the staging area when Munro noticed one of the craft, full of Marines, was grounded on the beach and not far from enemy forces. Munro returned and directed a landing tank to pull the craft off the beach, and just 20 minutes later, the craft was free and able to head out to sea.

At this same time, the Japanese forces began firing machine gun rounds at the final craft as they retreated. Though warnings were shouted, Munro was struck with a single bullet. He died before the forces returned to the staging area.

In a letter dated just five days later, the commanding officer of the unit wrote to inform Munro's parents of their son's heroism and death.

"Upon regaining consciousness his only question was 'Did they get off?', and so died with a smile on his face and the full knowledge that he had successfully accomplished a dangerous mission," the letter said.

For his efforts, Munro was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor, and is the only member of the Coast Guard to be given the honor.

Today, seventy-three years later, Munro's legacy lives on. He is remembered and honored by every member of the Coast Guard for his selfless devotion to duty and heroism.

- See more at: <http://coastguard.dodlive.mil/2015/09/remembering-munro/#sthash.mwn7eNCD.dpuf>



So You Have Joined The Coast Guard Auxiliary – Now What?

Putting AP Members to Work

You are a member in AP Status. What can you do?

First understand everything we do is governed by Federal law and the Commandant's Instructions for the Auxiliary. Auxiliarists in Approval Pending (AP) status still have huge opportunities to train and qualify in virtually any program in the Auxiliary.

While we understand that you may be frustrated by AP status, you should know that there are still a great many opportunities open to you – far, far more than those that may be closed or difficult.

New members:

- Are issued Member Numbers
- Vote
- Pay dues
- Wear the uniform of the Coast Guard Auxiliary
- Serve on committees
- Take any and all Auxiliary courses
- Take any and all end-of-course exams associated with these courses
- New Members in AP Status:

New Members in AP Status:

- May train and qualify in any program of the Auxiliary just as other Auxiliarists in IQ, BQ, or AUXOP status other than for coxswain, aviation certification, citizenship verifier or fingerprint technician.
- Until a new member receives a favorable security determination, aviation and boat coxswain certification will be limited to interim certifications, which may be granted by their DIRAUX
- Until a new member receives a favorable security determination, elected and staff officer positions will require an interim waiver granted by their DIRAUX

It is important for you to be willing to roll up your sleeves and do some homework. Your officers and flotilla shipmates should find mentors to assist you with your tasks. Be proactive and work with them and familiarize yourself with the Auxiliary Manual. Being a member of the United States Coast Guard team carries the responsibility of completing required training and obtaining a favorable personal security investigation (PSI). This applies to every Auxiliary member from the newest to the National Commodore.

It is easy to take on too much at first; focus on being proficient in one program at a time. When your favorable security determination comes through you will no longer be required to team up with a fellow member who is already IQ, BQ or AX. You will be able to represent the Coast Guard and Auxiliary on your own at boat ramps, public affairs events and so much more. You will also be able to help mentor others in the wide variety of Auxiliary activities.

Further details and information are available in the on-line Auxiliary Manual at: <http://www.uscg.mil/auxiliary/publications/auxman.pdf> , and in the Frequently-Asked-Questions (FAQ) at: <http://hdept.cgaux.org/pdf/AP-FAQ.PDF>



**DIVISION 33, EIGHTH WESTERN RIVERS REGION
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
DIVISION MEETING, TRAINING, ELECTION DINNER
SATURDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2015**

UNIFORM OF THE DAY: TROPICAL BLUE

1000 DIVISION MEETING

CQuence Health Group

1330-1630 TRAINING

CQuence Health Group

Information Services

Radio Comms

Recruiting & Marketing Social Media

Mentoring

Personal Safety Security/Preparation

1830 SOCIAL

Famous Daves - 120th & L

1900 ELECTION DINNER

Famous Daves - 120th & L

**CQuence Health Group
13808 F St, Omaha, NE 68137**

**Lunch
Sandwiches or other local
choices**

DINNER MEAL CHOICES

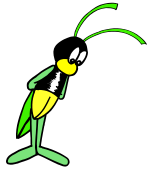
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Each member will pay for their meal.

RSVP TO Your FC NO LATER THAN 5 OCTOBER 2015

or contact me with questions or comments

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BY THE INFORMATION BUG

OCTOBER NOTES

**Copied from the FEMA publication:
Individual and Community Preparedness
E-Brief dated Sept 24 2015**

Eating Right During a Power Outage

Preparing for severe weather also includes planning ahead for power outages. When refrigeration and electricity are unavailable, finding creative ways to feed a family can be challenging, so it's important to have a plan to ensure proper nutrition.

To help with planning, [Mayo Clinic nutritionists](#) created a [grocery list](#) of items to keep in your pantry as you prepare for disasters. They have also organized a [three-day meal plan](#) for a family of four. [Recipes](#) in the plan do not require the use of power or refrigeration, but are still flavorful and fun to make.


Food safety and nutrition are critical to staying healthy during a disaster. The Mayo Clinic offers [these tips](#) for preparing your pantry and planning an emergency menu:

- Know the [safe temperature zones of perishable food](#). When the power goes out, keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible to maintain the cold. The refrigerator, if unopened, will keep food cold for about four hours. A full freezer will maintain its temperature for around 48 hours (24 hours if it is half full) if the door remains closed;
- Stock up on condiments, particularly those that are vinegar-based, such as ketchup, mustard, soy sauce, and BBQ sauce. These items have a long shelf life and are versatile. Consider travel-sized packets for convenience;
- Keep canned protein on hand (chicken, salmon, beans, and peanut butter);
- Keep boxes of powdered milk or shelf-stable cartons on hand for cereal or deserts; and
- Don't forget a manual can opener.



October 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Division 33 Meeting, Training & Election Dinner
11	12 Columbus Day	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Flotilla 33-1 Meeting Forty & Eight Club	20	21	22	23 Gasconade River Race	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween 

November 2015



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	 Veterans' Day	12	13	14
15	Flotilla 33-1 Meeting Forty & Eight Club	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>		28
29	30					