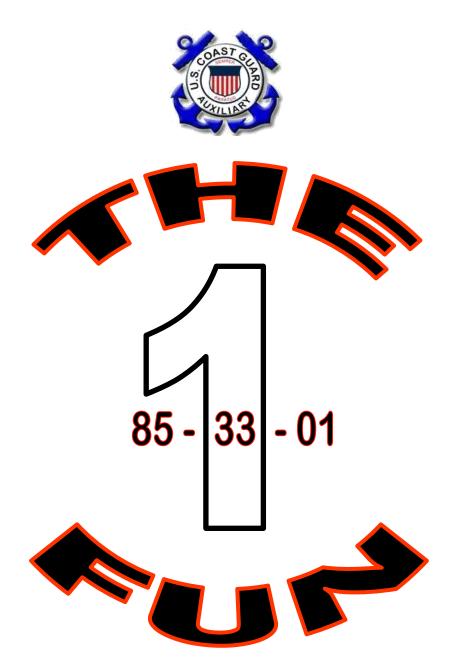
# "The Fun One"

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#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

05 May	Division Meeting, Training and
	Awards Dinner
13 May	Mother's Day
19 25 May	Safe Boating Week
21 May	Flotilla Meeting
14 June	Flag Day
18 June	Flotilla Meeting

See the calendars and check our website for possible date changes

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Please remember to check out the website at:
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### FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



### Commander's Note May 2018

It's Saturday and the sun is shining. It's not supposed to be too warm today but it's still obviously Spring. Soon boats will be on the water and a lot of those boats will be operated by individuals without any boating safety training. The two most recent boating safety classes have been cancelled due to the limited number of registrants. We still have instructors that need hours and I will be seeking other opportunities to train individuals in boating safety. I will also be seeking other avenues to make sure all instructors get the opportunity to meet their training hours.

This month we lost a shipmate. Richard Goble took me under his wing when I first joined the flotilla. Richard guided me through the training I needed to become an active member of the flotilla and encouraged me to move through the VFC and now FC positions. I owe him a lot and never told him how much his leadership meant to me. I only hope I can be as good a mentor for those new members of the flotilla. Thank you, Richard.

We have a lot of activities coming up in the next couple of months including an OpEx, public events, operational events and we continue to receive more requests for assistance. I challenge you to give what you can in time and expertise to help us meet those challenges. Still, it is important to balance home and work including Auxiliary work. Be sure to give your family their deserved time.

I can't let this opportunity go by without saying something about mandated training. We have several individuals that need to retake those six mandated classes. We also have several new members that need to take all the lessons so they can become qualified to take a more active role in the flotilla. I challenge you to complete those lessons as soon as possible so that I do not receive any REYR notices.

Semper Paratus and good health.

Semper Paratus James Miller, FC 085-33-01





## THE DIVERSITY **MINUTE**

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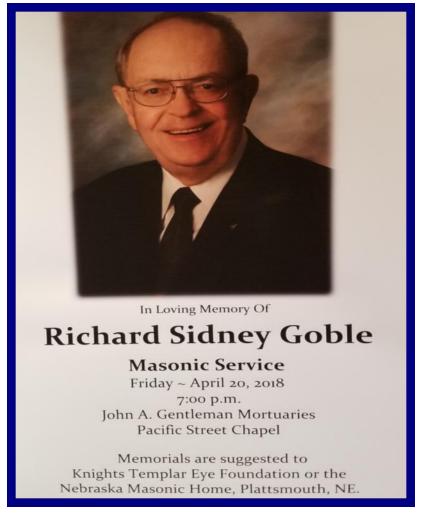
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By Jim Westcott, FSO-DV/PA

Who, What, When, Where, Why and How. Questions that a good investigator must ask (or a good reporter) during the course of his/her investigation. So let me ask this of you during your recruitment of a potential member. Don't look at him/her and see the obvious but rather ask yourself the above questions.

- Who - Not just the name but rather the feeling he/she brings to the interview of wanting to do a good job
- What - What can they do to assist the Auxiliary's mission?
- When - When are they available? If retired they may be available when others have to work.
- Where - Might they be available to travel to other locations where their particular skill set may be needed?
- Why - Why wouldn't we accept them, even if they are in a wheelchair if their skills are needed?
- How - How can we make that person feel accepted?





Our Ship-Mate, Richard Goble, joined the Auxiliary in 2000, and, to borrow a phrase, went from the frying pan into the fire. That first year he became an Instructor assisting in teaching countless boating safety classes. He then went on to become a vessel examine and program visitor, finally making the leap to boat crew in 2003. In 2004, he was elected as Vice Captain for Division 33, following his term in that office he served, at various times as the Division Officer for the following offices SO-MT, CS, PE, VE, PV, ADSO-PE, ADSO-Administrative Legal. In 2010, he was elected as the Flotilla Commander for Division 33, Flotilla 1. He also held the following staff offices FSO-HR, VE, PV, PA, and PE.

During his "tour-of-duty" in the Auxiliary, he was presented several awards, some of which include the following:

Strike Force Instructor, Apple Award, Ruler Award, 2500 Club, 5000 Club, Travelers Award, Publicist Award, Membership Growth, Public Education Annual Service Performance Award, Coast Guard Sustained Auxiliary Service Award. Public Education and Member Training Top Performer, Division 33 Commander Letter of Commendation, Best Flotilla Recruiting Top Performer Flotilla 33-01 and Auxiliarist of the Year for 33-03.

## OFFICIAL BLOG OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

http://live.cgaux.org/?p=6163

# World War II vet gets medals he never learned he earned WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018

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When polio kept him out of military, Leet found another way to serve

Written By Arianna MacNeill Staff Writer for the Gloucester Times

Apr 20, 2018



Ninety-three-year-old Robert Henry Leet of Ipswich stands still while Kevin Morgan, Commanding Officer of U.S. Coast Guard Station Gloucester, pins a medal on his lapel during a ceremony Friday at the station. Leet was awarded the World War II Victory Medal and the American Campaign Medal for his service in the Coast Guard Auxiliary during World War II, when he once spotted a German submarine off Crane Beach. 4/20/2018 [[MER1804201441482058]]

MIKE SPRINGER/Staff photo

Serving in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary was a duty Robert Leet took very seriously as a young adult during World War II, but he didn't know until more than 70 years later that he had earned medals for his service.

On Friday, Leet's family gathered at U.S. Coast Guard Station Gloucester on Harbor Loop as he was finally awarded the World War II Victory Medal and the American Campaign Medal, which is given specifically for service within the nation's borders.

"It's amazing to see this," said John Lobherr, the station chief and executive petty officer. "It's few and further between that we get to do something like this, especially for World War II veterans."

Leet, now 93, was happy that his family helped him receive the overdue recognition. "It meant a lot, really, because for years, people said, 'I got a service medal.' And I did service, but I never got a medal," Leet said.

As a child, he'd had polio and suffered some paralysis in his leg, so he wasn't allowed to join the armed services. Instead, he found a way to be involved from home.

And he proved his value during the just over two years that he served; he spotted a German submarine off the shore of Crane Beach in Ipswich during a patrol one day.

A native and life resident of Ipswich, Leet enrolled in the Coast Guard Auxiliary in August 1943 when he was 19, and was assigned to walk Crane Beach looking for foreign submarines or planes.

"I was walking the beach by myself," he said. "Right in front of the beach was a submarine out in the bay."

He notified his superiors, and the Coast Guard sent one of its boats out to investigate. German U-boats, or submarines, were found off the coast of North America during the war. In August 1942, an enemy sub had shelled and sunk two Gloucester fishing draggers, but the 14 men in the crews were able to row ashore in the vessels' dories, the Gloucester Daily Times reported. Other U-boats have been found sunk off the coast of Nantucket, another near the Rhode Island shores, according to multiple reports.

Leet isn't sure what happened after he spotted the submarine, but throughout his service, he was glad he could do his part for the war effort. It was difficult, he recalled, to see other young men his age go off to war while he stayed at home.

"They wouldn't take me even though I wanted to go," he said.

The auxiliary was a way to help. He served until late September 1945.

After his service, Leet went on to live a life devoted to Ipswich. He became an auxiliary police officer for the town, and, after working for the Boston & Maine Railroad company, he became Ipswich's town accountant. He and his wife, Lorraine, raised three daughters —-Bonnie, Cindy and Laurie.

Leet didn't talk about his service while she was growing up, daughter Cindy Whittle said.

"He didn't think he had any kind of impact," she said.

It was his son-in-law, Don McGarrell, Bonnie's husband, who started researching to see if there was any recognition for which Leet was eligible.

Patrolling the beach for the Coast Guard Auxiliary isn't the kind of service most people think of when they think of World War II, but for Leet it was a way to serve, to show how much he cared for his hometown.

"He wanted to give back and he couldn't join up in the traditional way because of his leg," Whittle said. "This was his way of sort of protecting his town and his country and the people he loved."

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### BY THE INFORMATION BUG

By Barb Westcott

## **MAY NOTES**

https://www.ready.gov/cybersecurity

### **Cybersecurity**

Cybersecurity involves preventing, detecting, and responding to cyber incidents that can have wide ranging effects on the individual, organizations, the community and at the national level.

### **Before a Cyber Incident**

You can increase your chances of avoiding cyber risks by setting up the proper controls. The following are things you can do to protect yourself, your family, and your property before a cyber incident occurs.

- Only connect to the Internet over secure, password- protected networks.
- Do not click on links or pop-ups, open attachments, or respond to emails from strangers.
- Always enter a URL by hand instead of following links if you are unsure of the sender.
- Do not respond to online requests for Personally Identifiable Information (PII); most organizations banks, universities, companies, etc. do not ask for your personal information over the Internet.
- Limit who you are sharing information with by reviewing the privacy settings on your social media accounts.
- Trust your gut; if you think an offer is too good to be true, then it probably is.
- Password protect all devices that connect to the Internet and user accounts.
- Do not use the same password twice; choose a password that means something to you and you only; change your passwords on a regular basis.

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- If you see something suspicious, report it to the proper authorities.
- Familiarize yourself with the types of threats and protective measures you can take by:
- Sign up for the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team mailing list.
- Sign up for the Department of Homeland Security's Stop. Think. Connect. Campaign and receive a monthly newsletter with cybersecurity current events and tips.

### During a Cyber Incident

### **Immediate Actions**

- Check to make sure the software on all of your systems is up-to-date.
- Run a scan to make sure your system is not infected or acting suspiciously.
- If you find a problem, disconnect your device from the Internet and perform a full system restore.
- If in a public setting immediately inform a librarian, teacher, or manager in charge to contact their IT department.
- Report the incident. Your local police so there is a record of the incident. You may also contact federal agencies able to provide assistance and investigate the incident:
- FBI field offices and Internet Crime Complaint Center
- National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force or call 855-292-3937
- United States Secret Service
- U.S. Immigration and Customs field offices or cyber crimes or call 866-347-2423
- National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center or call 888-282-0870
- U.S. Computer Readiness Team

### At Work

- If you have access to an IT department, contact them immediately. The sooner they can investigate and clean your computer, the less damage to your computer and other computers on the network.
- If you believe you might have revealed sensitive information about your organization, report it to the appropriate people within the organization, including network administrators. They can be alert for any suspicious or unusual activity.

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### https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/winter/staysafe/frostbite.html

- Immediate Actions if your Personally Identifiable Information (PII) is compromised:
- PII is information that can be used to uniquely identify, contact, or locate a single person.
- PII includes but is not limited to:
- Full Name
- Social security number
- Address
- Date of birth
- Place of birth
- Driver's License Number
- Vehicle registration plate number
- Credit card numbers
- Physical appearance
- Gender or race
- If you believe your PII is compromised:
- Immediately change all passwords; financial passwords first. If you used the same password for multiple resources, make sure to change it for each account, and do not use that password in the future.
- Contact companies, including banks, where you have accounts as well as credit reporting companies.
- Close any accounts that may have been compromised. Watch for any unexplainable or unauthorized charges to your accounts.

### **After a Cyber Incident**

- File a report with the local police so there is an official record of the incident.
- Report identity theft to the Federal Trade Commission.
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- Contact additional agencies depending on what information was stolen. Examples include contacting the Social Security Administration if you social security number was compromised, or the Department of Motor Vehicles if your driver's license or car registration has been stolen.
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- Report online crime or fraud to your local United States Secret Service (USSS) Electronic Crimes Task Force or the Internet Crime Complaint Center.
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# May 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	Division 33 Meeting, Training & Dinner
Happy Mother's Day	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Wear Your Life Vest to Work Day	19 Safe Boating Week
20	Flotilla 33-1 Meeting Forty & Eight Club	22	23	24	25	26
	SAFE	BOAT	<u> </u>	WEEK		
27	28	29	30	31		

## **June 2018**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16
17	18 Flotilla 33-1 Meeting Forty & Eight Club	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30