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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10 March	Daylight Saving Time Begins
16 March	RBS
17 March	St. Patrick's Day
18 March	Flotilla Meeting
20 March	First day of Spring
30 March	RBS
11-14 April	DTrain
13 April	RBS
15 April	Flotilla Meeting
21 April	Easter Sunday

**See the calendars and check our website
for possible date changes
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site at:
<http://wow.uscgaux.info/>**



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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Commander's Note March 2019

As I sit here and compose this message the first blizzard of the season, if not the decade, is in the history books. We are in the verge of the most snow fall in February on record. And the rodent, in Pennsylvania, touting the arrival of spring, has spoken. The average temperature for the 26th of Feb is 45 degrees Fahrenheit. The high today was 11 degrees AND snow is in the forecast. I would respectfully request from Mother Nature to please let spring arrive . . . SOON !

That being said, NOW is the time to check your PPE. Get it out of the closet and make sure that everything is ship-shape. While you are at it, do your ODU's need "spiffing up?" Please remember to bring your PPE (etc.) to our next meeting at the Nebraska Medicine Bellevue for inspection.

I would like to thank all the members of our flotilla that pitched in at the last moment and made the Auxiliary's booth and the Mid-America Boat Sports Hunting and Camping Expo a success.. Remember also that like another branch of the service, we too are looking for a few good recruits. Young, old, male, female, if they have an interest they can and will bring something of value to our fine organization. Remember too that there is an award that you can get by bringing in new members.

Spring, please hurry !

Semper Paratus

Jim March



THE DIVERSITY MINUTE

By Jim Westcott, SO-DV/PA

And

Barb Westcott, VCDR

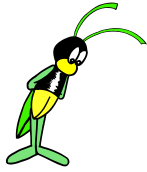
LOOK AT DIVERSITY THROUGH THE EYES OF A CHILD

Let me tell a short story about two young boys to make my point . The first boy is about 8 or 9 years of age, the other boy is only 4 years old and is autistic and has epilepsy. He has also been diagnosed as non-verbal. However, you see both of them playing video games, hide and seek and many other things together. The “non-verbal” boy talks to the older boy in short 1 or 2 word phrases. They understand and accept each other as they are.

The moral of this story is that if we look at everyone through the eyes of a child and see only the things that we can do and not the things we can't do there would be no need to try to teach diversity.

When we have a perspective member who is old, in a wheelchair or just different; look at them with the eye of a child. Everyone has a place in the Auxiliary; they may not like to be on the water but can teach boating safety. They may not want to run a meeting but can do program visits. Please remember all these things when you are talking to anyone with an interest in the Auxiliary. Together we can excel.





BY THE INFORMATION BUG

By Barb Westcott, VCDR

MARCH NOTES

Information for this article may be found at:
<http://boatbeat.org/boatbeat-alerts/us-coast-guard-launches-new-online-newsroom/>



The U.S. Coast Guard recently launched its new online newsroom, U.S. Coast Guard News, available at <http://www.news.uscg.mil>. It is easy to navigate with the ability to browse latest news headlines, search news by region, and access Coast Guard news release archives. Users can also quickly find Coast Guard public affairs contacts, publications, blogs and social media accounts.

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From left to Right:
Barclay Stebbins, SO-SR,
Barb Westcott, VCDR and
Brandon Butters, DCDR.

Photo by Jim Westcott, FC 33-01

Brandon Butters, DCDR
and
Patrick Hickey DCAPT-W

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From left to Right:
Brandon Butters, DCDR
Barb Westcott, VCDR, Jim Westcott, FC 33-01

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CDR Mick Scott

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March 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Daylight Saving Time Begins	11	12	13	14	15	16 
17  Happy St. Patrick's Day!	18 Omaha NE Flotilla Meeting	19	20 	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 
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April 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
				<div> District Training in North Little Rock AR </div> 		
14	15 Omaha NE Flotilla Meeting	16	17	18	19	20
	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				