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 Immediate Past Flotilla Commander (IPFC) - Jim Westcott
 AUX Scout - Warren Koehler
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 Communication Services (FSO-CS) - Barb Westcott
 Diversity (FSO-DV) - Jim Westcott
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 Materials (FSO-MA) - Bernie McNary
 Marine Safety (FSO-MS) - Doug Ives
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 Operations (FSO-OP) - Barclay Stebbins
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 Program Visitor (FSO-PV) - Cannon Kinchelow
 Secretary (FSO-SR) - Barclay Stebbins
 Vessel Examiner (FSO-VE) - Cannon Kinchelow

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4 April	Easter Sunday
17 April	Division 33 Meeting and Awards Dinner
20 April	Flotilla Meeting via ZOOM

**8WR DISTRICT MONTHLY TRAINING
 LOOK AT THE
 DISTRICT CALENDAR ON THE
 WOW WEBSITE TO FIND THE DATES**

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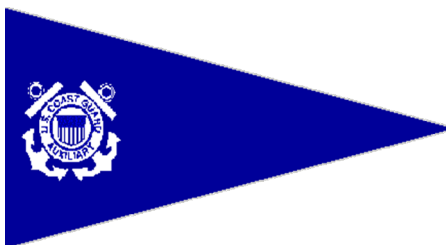
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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Commander's Notes *April 2021*

Spring is finally here, we made it. Looks like April 1st will open or unlock our Auxiliary activities with a hope for us to get on the water, or have any of the operational activities like PV, VE and even PE. Let us hope requests will be approved.

April 17th is our Division training, meeting, and awards dinner. I want to send congratulations to those who will be receiving awards. No word yet at this writing if face to face meetings for our Flotilla will be allowed. All members are invited to the training, meeting and dinner.

This month will see another event that impacts us greatly, with the moving of the Gasconade to St. Louis. With that move alone, we will need to revisit our goals and mission moving forward. As of now it seems harder, to assist the "Gold Side".

As soon as we are able to hold in-person meetings, the committee for locating a new meeting place has found a location, which some have visited, and found it to be just what we need. Food, computer hookup, screen, projector, meeting room and can be waiting for us on 3rd Monday of each month. Warren can let you know if interested. Thank you, Warren, for your work. As we open this year for operations, we may have "4" boats ready to go. Check with the two new members and visit with them about their super boats. If all goes well, we will have our first Boat class with more to come.

James Wolfe, FC

THE DIVERSITY MINUTE

Barb Westcott, DCDR, SO-PB, FSO-CS/PB

This information was printed in the "Diversity Matters" Newsletter

UNSUNG HEROES: THE STORY OF AMERICA'S FEMALE PATRIOTS

By Minnesota Public Television

Every woman that has ever served in the American military has volunteered to do so. Today more women serve in the armed forces of the United States than at any other time in our nation's history, in ways never before possible.

This courageous heritage can be traced back to the Revolution where women donned men's clothes and took up arms against the British. And though none had the right to vote, hundreds of women participated in the Civil War as nurses, spies and soldiers. Of the 33,000 women who served their country during the Great War, some 300 lost their lives. More than 700,000 women defended America in WW II, Korea and Vietnam. As of 2014, over 150 female patriots have been killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The service of these women has been heroic, their sacrifices profound and their enormous accomplishments largely ignored.

Unsung Heroes: The Story of America's Female Patriots finally, and for the first time, sets the record straight.

This 2 hour, 2-part documentary is executive produced by Academy Award winning filmmaker Ron Howard and written and directed by Sundance, Emmy and Image Award winning filmmaker Frank Martin, creator of the acclaimed public television special *For Love of Liberty: The Story of America's Black Patriots*.

At the heart of *Unsung Heroes* are the powerful first-hand accounts of women who have lived the story. To watch *Unsung Heroes*, visit your local library to see if it is available via digital download.





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The information for this article can be found at:
<https://safeboatingcampaign.com/wear-it-pledge/>

Take the Wear It Pledge



Be an example and saves lives.

Recreational boating and water activities are enjoyed by millions of Americans each year. Boating safety advocates recommend all boaters and passengers not only have a life jacket, but wear it at all times while boating. Regardless of your age or experience level, the data shows that life jackets save lives. Take the pledge to always Wear It while boating.

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**To submit the following form, please go to the website
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I will always wear my life jacket while boating or fishing, and encourage others to do the same! I'll regularly inspect my life jacket and keep it in good condition. I pledge to boat safely and responsibly – and to have fun!

This is a required field.

Full Name *

Organization

Email *

Location *

If other location, please specify

City/Town

Postal Code

Would you like to be added to the mailing list to receive safe boating updates? *


Please select the type of water vessel you operate most frequently *

This is a required field.

If other water vessel, please specify

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Division 33 Meeting & Training
18	19 Omaha NE Flotilla Meeting	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

MAY 2021



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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	Omaha NE Flotilla Meeting					
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					