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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8-11 Sept. **Fall DTrain in Kansas City**
19 Sept. **Flotilla Meeting at the**
 Auxiliary Station
24 Sept. **Division Meeting, Election,**
 Training and Dinner
17 Oct. **Flotilla Meeting**

8WR DISTRICT MONTHLY TRAINING
LOOK AT THE
DISTRICT CALENDAR ON THE
WOW WEBSITE TO FIND THE DATES
See the calendars and check our website
for possible date changes, RBS dates and
other operations.

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website at:
<http://a0853301.wow.uscgaux.info>



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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



SEPTEMBER 2022

August was a super busy month. We had another Op on the river. Then Division 33 took part in a Flag presentation at the Iowa State Fair. Members were from Flotilla 33-1 and 33-3. Another Boating Safety class was held, six (6) members showed up to help. It was a great class and location.

This month brought in two new members who have now advanced to AP status and are waiting on their member numbers, and we are working with a third.

The Flotilla bought two new feather flags, which we will hopefully pick up at the Fall DTrain.

Our future plans include working with the Sea Scouts and starting plans for a repeater for communication upgrades. We are also planning another lake shore cleanup. It is very nice seeing events off and running again this year.

Dues notices have been sent out.

These are our new member and thank them for joining our flotilla

James Orr has already started looking at Operations and brought 4 new students to the boating class. His email address is: jameslorr@yahoo.com

Michael Bockman has already taken the TCT class plus provided a super location for the boat class. His email address is: Michael_Bockman@nps.gov

Kameron Heffner is one of Sea Scouts and served as Territory 5 Venturing Officers' Association (VOA) President BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA and now is the new President National Service Territory 5 VOA. Kameron has already started looking at VE. His email address is: Kscouts32@gmail.com



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September should be another great month. Our September 19th, meeting will be held at the AUX Station, Omaha, and all are welcome to attend. The meeting will start at 1930 hrs. Location: 9901 John J. Pershing Dr. Omaha, Ne. 68112. The Division meeting and Election will be held on September 24th at the AUX Station. Beginning at 1000 hrs and all are welcome to join us. We will have our dinner at the La Mesa in Bellevue, NE., the time for social hour is 1800 hrs. Please see the attached invitation.



Mr. Barker, in his advanced leadership teaching, mentions several items that make for a great leader. First on his list is: Active Listening. How often do we really listen to each other? Now would be a good time to start.

James Wolfe FC





THE DIVERSITY MINUTE

The information in this article may be found at:

[Diversity Statement.pdf \(cgaux.org\)](https://cgaux.org/DiversityStatement.pdf)

The message below is as important today as when it was written. Please take the time to read this message.

1 NOVEMBER 2016

From: Richard Washburn

To: All Auxiliarists

Re: Diversity Statement

It is the policy of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary to ensure that all citizens, regardless of race, gender, color, national origin, sexual orientation, age, religion, or physical or mental disability have an equal opportunity to become a member of this organization. People from a wide variety of backgrounds and interests are welcome and encouraged to join the Auxiliary to work side by side with us as we serve the boating public. The fundamental action imperative of diversity is to create an environment, which fosters an appreciation of the values, skills, and abilities of each individual member. Members are responsible to each other for promoting an inclusive atmosphere of acceptance and respect, for demonstrating a commitment to fair and equal opportunity, and for moving beyond simple tolerance to embracing and celebrating our different backgrounds. We are committed to enjoying a diverse and inclusive membership. We all understand that diversity is not a problem to be solved, but that it is an asset to be developed.

Very respectfully,

Richard Washburn, National Commodore



INFORMATION BUG SEPTEMBER, 2022

The information for this article was found at
[Float Plan Central](http://FloatPlanCentral.com) – Official site of the Float Plan (cgaux.org)

Rescue is faster when you use the USCG Float Plan.

Whether you are a power boater or kayaker, the USCG Float Plan works for you. Set up a basic plan ahead of time and save it on you computer. Update it when you decide where and when you're going to go. Then, e-mail your completed plan to whoever you choose to follow up should you not return or check-in as planned.

Features and capabilities you'll find in this version of the float plan:

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Saving lives is what the float plan is all about. Create a float plan before your next voyage.





Being held on

Saturday the 24th of September, 2022

at the

LaMesa Restaurant

1405 Fort Crood Road South

Bellevue Nebraska

We will order dinner from off the menu LaMesa is the premier

Mexican restaurant having been awarded the "Best of Omaha"

For 19 years. Your favorite adult beverages are available.

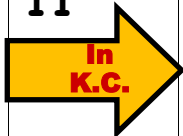
Uniform of the day for this event will be casual.

Please R.S.V.P. to Barb Westcott no later than 20 Sept.

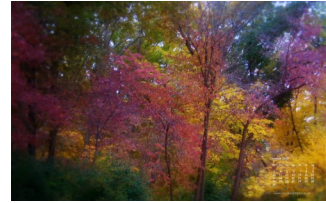
September 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Omaha Flotilla Meeting @ Auxiliary Station	20	21	22	23	24 Great Plains Division Meeting And Election @ Auxiliary Station
25	26	27	28	29	30	



October 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Omaha Flotilla Meeting	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 HALLOWEEN 					