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Photos taken by Jill Reiss

DIVISION COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

JEAN GOBLE



I would like to commend the members in Division 33 for the excellent way in which they have promoted the cornerstones of the Auxiliary. You have displayed great teamwork as you worked side by side with the active duty Coast Guard and other agencies to assist in the areas where flooding has occurred. Other ways that you have promoted our cornerstones are through teaching boating classes, staffing PA boots and performing vessel safety checks. Several of the flotillas have also held social events. Thank you for working together with other members and accomplishing great things in Division 33.

Our seamanship rodeo which was held at the Moorings was enjoyed by all who attended as we had an opportunity to participate with the active duty and reserves in the fun activities even though the search and rescue portion of the day had to be cancelled due to the high water. Chief Chase, who was retiring from the reserves that same day, invited the Auxiliarists to his retirement ceremony and provided lunch. The division presented Chief Chase with one of the Auxiliary coins.

Due to the high water in the area, the operations season has been slow in getting started. I am looking forward to working with each of you during the remainder of the year as the operations

season gets into full swing, and then we move into our fall activities.

The Division 33 picnic will be held August 7, 2010 at the Omaha Moorings. The picnic committee is working hard to make this a fun event. This is an opportunity to share food, fun, and fellowship with other Auxiliarists as well as the active duty and retired Coast Guard. Please mark the date on your calendars and plan to attend.

The Fall Business Symposium for 8 Western Rivers will be held in Little Rock, Arkansas on September 10 & 11, 2010. I would encourage all our members to attend. This is an opportunity to hear about plans for the district as well as meet new friends and attend workshops to learn something new. Plan to check the district website frequently for information on this event.

The election dinner will be held at Uncle Buck's Grill (formerly Islamorada) located in Bass Pro in Council Bluffs, Iowa on October 9, 2010. We will also have the division meeting and training during the day prior to the election dinner. More information will be forthcoming as plans for training are finalized.

Semper Paratus

Doug Eubanks listening attentively to Ralph Tomlinson's presentation at the operations workshop.
Jean Goble photographer.



DIVISION VICE COMANDER'S MESSAGE

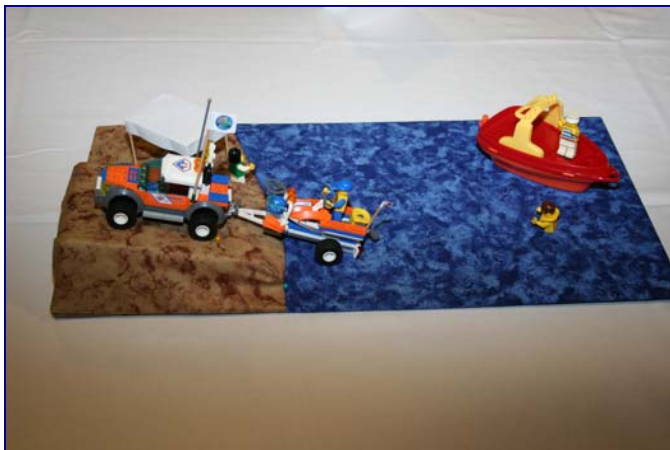
FRANK REISS



Just 57 days until the Fall Business Symposium as of July 15, 2010. That can only mean that elections are just around the corner. Elections every year are kicked off at the Fall Business Symposium with the election of your EXCOM, primarily district captains annually. Every two years a new commodore and chief of staff are also elected. This year all positions are up for election. I suggest each of you visit the district Web site and see who is running for what.

While you are visiting the district web site, I'd suggest you also check out the information for the Fall Business Symposium. Registration forms and Friday fun night information are there for your review. Business Symposiums are a great place to make new friends and renew old relationships. Training and fellowship are plentiful. Make you plans now to visit Little Rock, Arkansas September 10-11, 2010. Hopefully I will see many of you aboard the Arkansas Queen Friday night for food, fun, and fellowship.

Awards Weekend



Flotilla 4's award winning table decoration. Jill Reiss photographer.



John Cotton giving the invocation at the awards dinner. Jill Reiss photographer.

Division 33 Officers

Division Commander (DCDR) – Jean Goble
 Division Vice Commander (DVCDR) – Frank Reiss
 Immediate Past Division Commander (IPDCDR) –
 Connie Walters
 Secretary – Paul Faganel (SO-SR)
 Finance – Skip Wolff (SO-FN)
 Chief of Prevention – Richard S. Goble
 Navigation Services (SO-NS) – George McNary
 Public Education (SO-PE) – Annette Rasmussen
 Member Training (SO-MT) – Ralph Tomlinson
 Program Visitor (SO-PV) – Richard S. Goble
 Vessel Examiner (SO-VE) – Richard S. Goble
 Marine Safety (SO-MS) – Doug Potts
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 Human Resources (SO-HR) - Bernard McNary
 Information Services (SO-IS) – Barclay Stebbins
 Communication Services (SO-CS) – Trevor
 Henderson
 Public Affairs (SO-PA) – Randy Evans
 Materials – (SO-MA) Karl Rasmussen
 Publications (SO-PB) – Jill Reiss
 Chief of Response – Frank Reiss

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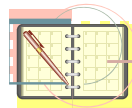
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DATES TO REMEMBER

August 7, Picnic
 August 28, Royals Public Service Appreciation
 Night
 August 28-29, Offutt AFB Defenders of Freedom
 Open House & Air Show
 September 10-11, Fall Business Symposium
 September 19, World O!Water
 October 3, Community Safety & Wellness Festival
 October 9, Election dinner
 October 15, Skipper deadline

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FLOTILLA 1

Here we are at mid year and the middle of summer with very few patrol hours completed; Mother Nature had other plans for us. Now that she has backed off, we have a lot of catching up to do.

Flotilla 1 has continued to teach Nebraska boating safety classes, and we completed our last one on July 10. This year we have taught about 180 students. We are now concentrating on other missions. We recently were able to do several VSCs with the assistance of Bill Tilton and Doug Potts from Flotilla 7. It was a fine joint venture and shows what can be accomplished when flotillas work together.

In June, we had a social evening and steak fry. The camaraderie was enjoyable and the steaks were, well let's just say, I cannot wait until we do it again.

James Westcott has jointed our flotilla and will be a substantial contributor to the performance of Flotilla 1. He brings to the Auxiliary a wealth of boating experience and knowledge. He has been a Nebraska state boating instructor for several years and has already been helping his flotilla by teaching during our boating safety classes. For those of you who do not know him, he was the coxswain on the Douglas County Sherriff's boat for many years and was in charge of the boat's maintenance.

As a final note, all members in Flotilla 1 who are operations qualified, or who are vessel examiners, now have ODU's and the approved hot weather patrol uniform. It was quite a project.

Submitted by Richard Goble

FLOTILLA 2

Since our last Skipper copy, Flotilla 33-2 has been actively engaged in:

Member Training - Classroom training has been ongoing since the first of the year and now with the weather cooperating, the on-the-water training has begun with soon having to request the QE.

Public Education - We are reaching the end of the boating safely class offerings; having taught 6 classes and served 122 students.

Public Affairs - Some of the events that our members have participated in are: safe kids at South Pointe Shopping Center (Gary Jensen, Sharon McKay and Mary Poe); SANDS - Lake Zorinsky (Gary Jensen, Sharon McKay and Connie Walters); and safe kids at Lincoln's Salvation Army (Connie Walters and Claire Coleman). The Terneses have been stocking displays at many water/boating locations in central Nebraska.

Awards were presented to Flotilla 2's membership at the award's dinner. We are proud of our member's dedication and service to the Auxiliary's mission. The awards given are as follows:

- * Bill Montz - Marine Safety ribbon
- * Letter of Commendation for staffing final state fair exhibit in Lincoln
- * Most Operation's Hours - Flotilla 33-2 - first runner up
- * Towline Award - Gary Jensen, Bob Poe, Keith Deiml
- * 5000 Club Award - Gary Jensen
- * 30-Year Membership Service Certificate - Claire Coleman
- * 15-Year Membership Service Certificate - Mason Youngman

FLOTILLA 2 (CONT.)

Operations – Flotilla 2 has again this year helped with the Nebraska State Games sailing events (Gary Jensen, Sharon McKay, Claire Coleman, Dan Conn, Dick Ternes, Mary Poe and Bob Poe).

Planning and coordinating events around these past few months with all the heavy rains has been challenging, but Flotilla 2's membership follows an old Chinese proverb: "A wise man adapts himself to circumstances as water shapes itself to the vessel that contains it!"

Submitted by Jeanie Deiml

FLOTILLA 4

Flotilla 4 has procured and is continuing development of a communications trailer to house and facilitate operational communications. To date, it has been successfully used in three multi-mission operations - vessel safety check teams in multiple locations, safety patrol vessels and recreational safety program visit teams all operating simultaneously and coordinating activities in an ICS setting through the communications center.

Boating safety week was recognized with a number of events: on May 22 a boating safety class held at Red Rock Reservoir, a VSC station at Bass Pro Shop in Altoona and Water Safety Night at the Iowa Cubs game with the Corps of Engineers that evening. Multiple VSC stations, dealer visits and safety patrols during Memorial Day weekend capped out the week.

Mr. Faganel is to be congratulated for perseverance in pursuing AuxAir qualifications for observer and pilot. His aircraft has been fully facilitated and was utilized during our recent flood

support safety mission during late June/early July with the Corps of Engineers.

The rain that seemed to never cease during June caused Saylorville Lake to once more overflow and top the emergency spillway. We partnered with numerous agencies to provide personnel maintaining the safety zones - one established by the Corps on land around the dam and spillway, the other established by COTP Hudson in the waterways around the dam and spillway. A long and arduous mission, but gratifying in that the many contacts made with the public allowed us to explain the need for safety and the missions of the Coast Guard and Auxiliary.

We look forward to what nature and the Auxiliary have to offer next; perhaps a more normal boating season where we can continue with ongoing member training and provide boating safety patrols on lakes at near-normal levels.

Submitted by Norma Newton

FLOTILLA 6

We have been very active in staffing boating safety exhibits. And have others planned for September with the IKEs (Izaak Walton). We did this last year and had a good turnout.

With the high water, our VE program is off to a slow start. We hope things will improve in

August and some catch up can occur. Patrols have also suffered but more are planned for August.

We assisted the Saylorville Corps, along with Flotilla 4, in traffic control during the high water situation. The lake is finally going down some and providing long awaited boating.

FLOTILLA 6 (CONT.)

We are looking forward to August and participating in two more Honor Flight programs. These will be the fifth and sixth flights the central Iowa

group has been involved with and probably the last.

Submitted by Jim Anderson

WHY I DO WHAT I DO

My pager went off shortly after 9:00 p.m. Our local communications center said they had a reported river emergency on the Missouri river, about 14 miles south of Sioux City. This was Saturday evening of Memorial Day weekend. It involved a missing person in the water who had gone overboard with no lifejacket. He was from a small town in Nebraska, south of Sioux City. He and his family had grown up spending time on and around the Missouri river.

The details of this tragedy were similar to what we often hear at boating accident scenes. Four people in a small boat rated for three people, big oversized motor, no lifejackets and alcohol was involved. This incident should not have happened. If only people would listen to and follow our safe boating message.

We searched for hours into the night without success. Iowa DNR, Nebraska DNR, a small town fire department and MAC 1, our local medical helicopter with a thermal imaging camera,

joined us. We found nothing. We again went out on Sunday to try to locate the missing boater. We did not find anything. On Monday (Memorial Day) evening, we went out again to search for the only thing the family wanted, the return of their relative. We searched til darkness made it hard to see and returned to the marina.

After securing our boat in its slip, we were walking through the parking lot that is shared between the marina and the restaurant. A young girl in her waitress uniform was walking to her car when she saw us in our ODUs and life jackets. She asked if we had found anything. I said no; we had not. She said she knew him, and he was a friend of hers. She thanked us for searching for him. I told her we would try again tomorrow.

She then said, "I know you will, you're the Coast Guard. It's what you do. You never give up. Thank you again. Good night."

Submitted by Doug Potts

DID YOU KNOW . . .

Susan Stocker has provided us with Wear It Iowa! stickers as well as I Got Caught tickets. This program teams up Wendy's Restaurant and AAA MN/IA to reward safe behavior to children between 2 and 13. The program's intention is to reward children for doing safe things such as wearing a life jacket or other safe behavior. The Wendy's free small Frosty coupon can be redeemed in Iowa only. If you would like some, please contact Jill Reiss at (402) 573-6915 or jreiss@comcorent.com to arrange pickup.

<http://www.iowadnr.gov/law/boating/index.html>

Contact Randy Evans regarding PA events:

- Community Safety & Wellness Fair: <http://www.safenebraska.org/safe-living/safetywellnessfestival.php>
- Defenders of Freedom Open House: <http://www.offuttairshow.com/index.html>
- World O!Water: <http://www.worldwater.com/>

OPERATIONS

As the water slowly recedes, I think to myself, am I ever going to get out on the water? This spring and early part of summer has certainly presented many of us challenges. In the Omaha AOR, very few have been out on the water at all; we've sat back and watched the flood waters close first Bellevue, then Sand Piper and finally Dodge Park. The weekend of OPTEX, I made a trip to Dodge Park to secure equipment needed for the OPTEX, only to find the lighthouse in the marina had become its own island. Unless further flooding occurs later in the season, this year will go down as the tenth worst flooding in recorded history for Omaha.

As it stands, Dodge Park has only one of its two public ramps open and Bellevue is still closed. Boating traffic on the Missouri River continues to be very light. High water in the eastern portion of our AOR has led to increased activities. Kudos to Flotillas 4 and 6 for the assistance they provided the USACE at Saylorville Lake. Auxiliary members were tasked with providing safety zones both on the water and on dry ground. Operations began 6/30/2010 and were to continue through 7/05/2010, but deteriorating weather put a halt to operations on 7/03/2010 as thunderstorms entered the area. Paul Faganel also provided aerial support with over flight missions. Operations in Lincoln and Sioux City seemed to be unaffected by the rather wet weather as safety and regatta patrols went on as scheduled.

National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service shows a gradual decrease in water on the Missouri through July 21, but water levels are still predicted to remain above 22 feet. I

am activating orders upon request for the MOR, but remember it is up to the coxswain to complete a GAR assessment and make a determination as to whether a patrol is a go or no go. There are still several months of the boating season left ahead of us; if the general public is feeling anything like I am, the river will soon be overflowing with folks trying to get their river fix. There should be ample time to get everyone the hours needed to remain qualified. Anyone who is in need of hours, please let your FSO-OP know; if FSO-OPs need assistance, please let me know.

As many of you will recall back on the last weekend of April at our awards banquet weekend, a POMS workshop was conducted by Cathryn Allison, ADSO-IS. Subsequently we held a POMS webinar. I'm pleased that many of you have embraced POMS (or tolerated) and have been making requests and updating orders. I bid each of you a job well done. As with anything new, there are bound to be issues, but those are becoming fewer. A couple of reminders; if you have requested orders, you are considered an online user and whether you request, or I generate the orders, you will need to login to POMS to update the orders once a patrol is complete. Also remember when updating orders that mileage is paid for round trips over 100 miles. Be sure to tape any receipts face up on the back of your orders and please send them to me ASAP. Orders that are not processed by the OIA within 30 days are automatically canceled by POMS. We will be offering an additional OPMS webinar in the coming days; check you inbox for more information on that.

Submitted by Frank Reiss

DID YOU KNOW . .

The latest Western Rivers can be located at: http://www.trlmo.com/cgaux8wr/wr_pub.htm

Fall Business Symposium: http://www.trlmo.com/cgaux8wr/fallbs10/reg_fall_10.pdf

Nebraska Great Navy: <http://www.governor.nebraska.gov/contact/index.html>

DIVISION 33 OFFERS DISTANCE EDUCATION

The AUXOP courses are being offered by Division 33 via Go-To-Webinar. This means you have access to AUXOP instructors, the manuals, plus the ability to ask questions, get clarifications and interact with others studying the same material. All of this is available to you in your own home on your computer. Now you no longer have to wait for a large group of members wanting to host a class in your own flotilla.

There have been two classes already offered – AUXPAT and AUXNAV. The first one – AUXNAV – gave the students the ability to see problems worked in real time with time for questions and clarifications. A document camera was used to film the work being done on the maneuvering board with explanations as the problems were being worked. A group hub exists for networking between students. The students have come from many different flotillas within 8 Western Rivers. In addition to Iowa and Nebraska, many other states have been represented – for example: Colorado, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Oklahoma.

You too can join a class. All that is needed is a computer with Internet access, a quiet room and a

headset with microphone. You are given the schedule – usually two nights a week from 7:30 to 9:00 P.M. If you miss a night, you can catch up using the group hub material.

The next class, AUXWEA, began July 13. It will run for four weeks and then you are strongly encouraged to immediately take the test. A review group of questions is covered during the last session so you are prepared. Following AUXWEA, the new AUXCOM course will be offered. Keep checking the district's website for future classes.



Submitted by Ralph Tomlinson



NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK PROCLAMATION

SLO-NE Connie Walters receiving the National Safe Boating Week proclamation from Herb Angell, NGPC. Darlene, last name unknown, photographer.

OPTEX

It was Friday afternoon, the water in Dodge Park Marina had left the lighthouse an island and the humidity was nearing 100%. My first stop was the station to pick up equipment for Saturday's OPTEX/seamanship rodeo; I was dressed in my ODUs as my second stop was the Moorings to get a lay of the land and discuss logistics. When I first stepped into the Gasconade, I noticed the air conditioning, and I didn't mind it at all that it took some time for the OD to track down Master Chief Smith via phone. I took the opportunity to chat with a couple of the guys hanging in galley about the high water and what it was like being stuck in port. The OD returned, and we went back into the heat for a walk about to determine where each of the six events would be held the following morning. By the time we entered the shore side detachment building, I was sweating like crazy again. A brief go around the building which I'd been through before, and we exited into the heat again next to the volleyball court; what a perfect place for the heaving line events we decided. My tour was complete so I climbed in the truck and headed for home knowing I would be back on the grounds at 0700 in the morning.

I was lying awake waiting for the alarm clock to go off at 0600 knowing that if I got up too early I wouldn't have anything to keep me busy before heading out at 0630; I made it until 0545, got up, killed the alarm and made ready for the day. Somehow I managed to find something to delay my departure until 0630. I arrived at the USACE gate as planned at 0650 and at the moorings gate a few minutes later. The first chore of the day was to unload and set up the needed equipment. Randy Evans, Jean and Richard Goble, Ralph and Suzanne Tomlinson and others were present to assist with this task. The most frustrating and embarrassing chore was making certain the P6 pump would work. I was able to start it, but do you think I could prime the pump to save my life. And, of course, by this time there were a number of active duty appearing. Thankfully one of them

offered a hand and dry primed the pump and was spraying water in a matter of minutes. Rest assured I was able to get the job done myself a little later, and I learned something new.

Once everything was setup, it was time to prepare for the division meeting. Following a short division meeting, judges were assembled and score keeping explained. Judges headed to their stations, teams were assembled by luck of the draw (with a little help by the SO-OP to keep them balanced), and the horn was sounded to start the first rotation of the day. Each rotation lasted 20 minutes and at the end of 6 rotations, scores were tallied and a winner determined. I had the P6 station where I got to witness 6 different styles of filling, emptying and then refilling a pump container as many times as they could in 20 minutes. Best time was used in the overall computation of the winner.

A wonderful lunch was provided courtesy of retiring Chief Chase. Pulled pork with all the trimmings including cake for dessert was on the menu. There was a very nice retirement ceremony on the west lawn where Chief Chase inducted fellow reservists into the Great Nebraska Navy. Winners of the seamanship rodeo were announced; winners and all participants were informed that lunch was their reward; active duty per Master Chief could have the rest of the day and Sunday off unless they were assigned to duty. Everybody had a great time. It was really cool to see Auxiliarists, reservists, and active duty competing side by side on the same teams.

Following the seamanship rodeo, the OPS Workshop and 1-hour TCT refresher was offered. Auxiliarists were joined by five active duty folks. I'd like to extend special thanks to George McNary for returning equipment to the Auxiliary station shed. If you did not attend this year, I hope you will find time to join us next year. We will certainly apply the lessons learned this year to make next year's event even better; maybe Mother Nature will even cooperate, and we'll be able to get on the water.

Submitted by Frank Reiss



AUX Station Omaha. Frank Reiss photographer

AUX STATION OMAHA

Flotilla 4 members Chuck Brudtkuhl, Roland Newton and Trevor Henderson, along with the DVCDR Frank Reiss, met at AUX Station Omaha on Saturday, May 22. The mission of the day was to both clean up the station and troubleshoot issues with the cabling between the station and the top of the tower. Roland braved the winds to skillfully scale the tower while others provided moral and logistical support from the ground.

Inside, the work team kept busy cleaning up after the mice which decided to make the station their winter quarters. Traces of the uninvited guests were vacuumed, scrubbed and wiped away.

As always, a brief fellowship session followed the work event.

Submitted by Trevor Henderson



Roland Newton. Trevor Henderson photographer

COMMUNICATIONS

The beam antennas connected to the local radio at AUXSTAOMA did not appear to be performing correctly during the 2009 operational season. A crew consisting of Mr. Brudtkuhl, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Newton and Mr. Reiss evaluated the coax cable run from the radio to the two beam antennas on the tower. The coax from the base of the tower to the harness connecting the two beams was determined to be bad. Through the efforts of Mr. Tilton, two new coax runs for both, the beams and the omni directional antenna, as well as a new higher quality antenna were donated to the station. The installation at the top of the tower is of a non-traditional design that does not allow for the lowering of mast through the tower to allow for

maintenance of the antennas. Further evaluation from the top of the tower has developed a plan to replace both antennas with a single bidirectional antenna. The equipment is in place and scheduling of work parties is being attempted. If you are interested in assisting in this endeavor, please let me know, and I will try to keep you in the loop.

The high water on the Missouri this summer had caused several operational difficulties at AUXSTAOMA. Not the least of these is the console at the station is nonoperational. The likely cause is water infiltrating the line that connects the console to the high site. We are working with Sector to resolve this problem; however, until it is resolved there may be time that the high site and AUXSTAOMA are not working.

Submitted by Roland Newton

DID YOU KNOW . .

Bill Tilton and Doug Potts provided support on the Missouri River for the River-Cade Raft Regatta on July 17. They endured choppy water and a soaring heat index. The approximately 15-mile route started north of Jackson, Nebraska. The race, open to canoes, rafts and kayaks, is part of the annual River-Cade celebration.

http://www.siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/article_dbaa1464-91de-11df-b0c7-001cc4c002e0.html

Bill and Doug also provided support for the 70-mile South Dakota Kayak Challenge that started Saturday morning, May 29, in Vermillion. Participants had 36 hours to finish the first-ever kayak challenge. The race was a challenge due to the weather conditions: sunny Saturday and overcast Sunday, along with morning sprinkles.

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Okoboji Damage



Fred Busy Photographer. See story on page 16.

AWARDS

Auxiliary Commandant Letter of Commendation

Pauline Longnecker
Ron Longnecker

Coast Guard Auxiliary Achievement Medal (Gold Star)

Nick Critelli

National Commodore Certificate of Achievement

Flotilla 33-4, Travis Daniels FC
top 100 performers in the RBS
Visitation Program and Vessel
Examination Program

Compass Rose

Ronald L. Longnecker, 33-3
Wendy C. Faganel, 33-4
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4

Sextant

Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3
Nick Critelli, 33-4

500 Club

Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4
Frances C. Meyrat, 33-6
Vitolds J. Voskans, 33-6

1000 Club

Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4

Apple Award

Norma J. Goble, 33-1
COMO James Anderson, 33-6
Frank T. Reiss Jr., 33-3
Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4
Norma J. Newton, 33-4
Nick Critelli, 33-4
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
Roland C. Newton, 33-4

Ronald L. Longnecker, 33-3
Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4

Ruler Award

Warren W. Koehler, 33-1
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
Norma J. Newton, 33-4
Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
Bernard L. McNary, 33-1
Mary J. Poe, 33-2
Sharon A. McKay, 33-2
Annette M. Rasmussen, 33-3
Karl H. Rasmussen IV, 33-3

Strike Force - Instruction

Richard S. Goble, 33-1
Norma J. Goble, 33-1

Travelers Award

Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4
Frank T. Reiss, 33-3
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
Richard S. Goble, 33-1
COMO James D. Anderson, 33-6
Norma J. Goble, 33-1
Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4
Philip J. Patterson, 33-4

Towline Award

Gary C. Jensen, 33-2

Publicist Award

James F. Sitzman, 33-3
Virginia A. Stone, 33-6
Doug E. Potts, 33-7
William R. Tilton, 33-7
Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3
Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4
Norma J. Goble, 33-1
Steven A. Johnson, 33-6
COMO James Anderson, 33-6
Connie J. Walters, 33-2
Frank T. Reiss Jr., 33-3
Sharon A. McKay, 33-2

Suzanne H. Tomlinson, 33-4
Vitolds J. Voskans, 33-6
Frances C. Meyrat, 33-6
James P. Berry, 33-6
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
Randal L. Evans, 33-3
Jill C. Reiss, 33-3
Trevor D. Henderson, 33-4
Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4
Jose L. Medina, 33-6

2500 Club

Warren W. Koehler, 33-1
George W. McNary, 33-1
Nick Critelli, 33-4
Karl H. Rasmussen IV, 33-3
Annette M. Rasmussen, 33-3
Randal L. Evans, 33-3
Travis A. Daniels, 33-4
Claire F. Coleman, 33-2
Connie J. Walters, 33-2
Jill C. Reiss, 33-3
Mary J. Poe, 33-2
Norma J. Newton, 33-4
Trevor D. Henderson, 33-4
Sharon A. McKay, 33-2

5000 Club

Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4
Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
Ronald L. Longnecker, 33-3
Frank T. Reiss, 33-3
Richard S. Goble, 33-1
Norma J. Goble, 33-1
Barclay A. Stebbins, 33-1
Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3
Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

Marine Safety

Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4
Paul R. Faganel, 33-4
Michael R. Ludwigs, 33-6
Suzanne H. Tomlinson, 33-4

William J. Montz, 33-2
 Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
 Nick Critelli, 33-4
 Wendy C. Faganel, 33-4

Marine Environmental Protection

Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
 Trevor D. Henderson, 33-4
 Nick Critelli, 33-4
 Wendy C. Faganel, 33-4

Outreach Award

Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3
 Nick Critelli, 33-4

Sparky Award

James F. Sitzman, 33-3
 Jay D. Kelgor, 33-3
 Roland C. Newton, 33-4

Best Division Newsletter

Division 33, Missouri River
 Skipper, Jill C. Reiss, editor

Best Flotilla Scrapbook

Runner Up
 Flotilla 33-4
 Suzanne H. Tomlinson

2009 Photography Award – Vessel Examination

Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

2009 Photography Award – Public Education

Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

2009 Photography Award – Operations

Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

Commodore's Award

Flotilla 33-1, George McNary,
 Flotilla Commander

Commodore's Honor Flotilla Streamer

Flotilla 33-4
 Travis A. Daniels

Auxiliarist of the Year Second Runner Up

Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

Division Commander Letter of Commendation

Claire F. Coleman, 33-2
 Jean E. Deiml, 33-2
 Keith W. Deiml, 33-2
 Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
 Sharon A. McKay, 33-2
 William J. Montz, 33-2
 Richard J. Ternes, 33-2
 Rose A. Ternes, 33-2
 Connie J. Walters, 33-2
 Philip A. Ward Jr., 33-2
 Jose Medina, 33-6
 Como James D. Anderson, 33-6
 James P. Berry, 33-6
 Cheryl P. Jesse 33-6
 Steven A. Johnson 33-6
 Frances C. Meyrat 33-6
 Virginia A. Stone 33-6
 Vitolds J. Voskans 33-6
 Wendy C. Faganel, 33-4
 Bernard L. McNary, 33-1
 James P. Berry, 33-6
 Charles H. Brudtkuhl, 33-4
 Paul R. Faganel, 33-4
 Norma J. Goble, 33-1
 Richard S. Goble, 33-1
 George W. McNary, 33-1
 David J. Mote, 33-6
 Philip J. Patterson, 33-4
 Annette M. Rasmussen, 33-3
 Karl H. Rasmussen IV, 33-3
 Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4
 Suzanne H. Tomlinson, 33-4

Recreational Program

Visitation 15 or more visits
 Richard Goble, 33-1
 Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4
 Frank T. Reiss Jr., 33-3
 Ralph Tomlinson, 33-4
 Phillip Patterson, 33-4

Recreational Program

Visitation Top Performer 2nd
 Runner Up
 Como James D. Anderson, 33-6

Recreational Program

Visitation Top Performer 1st
 Runner Up
 Norma J Goble, 33-1

Recreational Program

Visitation Top Performer
 Douglass R Jansen, 33-4

Recreation Program Visitation

Top Flotilla 2nd Runner Up
 Flotilla 33-6, Jim Berry, FC

Recreation Program Visitation

Top Flotilla 1st Runner Up
 Flotilla 33-1 George McNary, FC

Recreation Program Visitation

Top Flotilla
 Flotilla 33-4, Travis Daniels, FC

Vessel Examination 25 or more

James F. Sitzman, 33-3

Vessel Examination 50 or more

Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

Vessel Examinations

Top Performer 2nd Runner Up
 Vitolds J. Voskans, 33-6

Vessel Examinations

Top Performer 1st Runner Up
Frances C. Meyrat, 33-6

Vessel Examinations

Top Performer
Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4

Vessel Examinations

Flotilla 2nd Runner Up
Flotilla 33-3 Doug Eubanks, FC

Vessel Examinations

Flotilla 1st Runner Up
Flotilla 33-6 James Berry, FC

Vessel Examinations

Flotilla Top Performer
Flotilla 33-4, Travis A. Daniels,
FC

Edith Ann Johnson Award

Flotilla 33-4, Travis A. Daniels,
Flotilla Commander

Skipper Award

Travis A. Daniels, 33-4
Connie J. Walters, 33-2
Barclay A. Stebbins, 33-1
Douglas W. Eubanks, 33-3
George W. McNary, 33-1
Frank T. Reiss Jr., 33-3
Sharon A. McKay, 33-2
Warren W. Koehler, 33-1
Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
Daniel L. Conn, 33-2

Pilot Award

Nick Critelli, 33-4

Towline Award

Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
Doug E. Potts, 33-7
Keith W. Deiml, 33-2
Robert C. Poe, 33-2

David N. Kaplan, 33-7
Warren W. Koehler, 33-1
Barclay A. Stebbins, 33-1
William R. Tilton, 33-7

Watchstanders 20+ Hours

Jay D. Kelgor, 33-3
Roland C. Newton, 33-4
James F. Sitzman, 33-3

Operations

Top Performer 2nd Runner Up
Claire F. Coleman, 33-2

Operations

Top Performer 1st Runner Up
Ronald L. Longnecker, 33-3

Operations

Top Performer
Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3

Operations

Top Flotilla 2nd Runner Up
Flotilla 33-4 Travis Daniels, FC

Operations

Top Flotilla 1st Runner Up
Flotilla 33-2 Gary C. Daniels, FC

Operations

Top Flotilla
Flotilla 33-3, Doug Eubanks, FC

Lead Instructor 20 or More Hours

Bernard L. McNary, 33-1
Gary C. Jensen, 33-2
Warren W. Koehler, 33-1
George W. McNary, 33-1
Thomas Spieker, 33-1
Ronald L. Longnecker, 33-3
Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3
Claire F. Coleman, 33-2
Sharon A. McKay, 33-2
Barclay A. Stebbins, 33-1

Frank T. Reiss Jr., 33-3

Lead Instructor 50 or More Hours

Richard S. Goble, 33-1
Norma J. Goble, 33-3
Annette M. Rasmussen, 33-3
Karl H. Rasmussen IV, 33-3
Mary J. Poe, 33-2

Member Training 20 or More Hours

Ronald L. Longnecker, 33-3
Ralph F. Tomlinson, 33-4
Nick Critelli, 33-4
Roland C. Newton, 33-4
Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4
Frank T Reiss Jr., 33-3
Jeffrey M. Towle, 33-4

Member Training 50 or More Hours

Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3

Instructor Aide 20 or More Hours

Norma Newton, 33-4

Public Education/Member Training

Top Performer 2nd Runner Up
Ralph Tomlinson, 33-4

Public Education/Member Training

Top Performer 1st Runner Up
Ron Longnecker, 33-3

Public Education/member Training

Top Performer
Pauline G. Longnecker, 33-3

Public Education/Member Training

Top Flotilla 2nd Runner Up

Flotilla 33-1 George W. McNary, Philip J. Patterson, 33-4
FC William J. Montz, 33-2

Steven A. Johnson, 33-6

Public Education/Member Training
Top Flotilla 1st Runner Up
Flotilla 33-3 Doug Eubanks, FC

Public Affairs
2nd Runner Up
Jill C. Reiss, 33-3

Recruiting Award
Brandon T. Butters, 33-4
Steven A. Johnson, 33-6

Public Education/Member Training
Top Flotilla
Flotilla 33-4 Travis Daniels, FC

Public Affairs
1st Runner Up
Trevor D. Henderson, 33-4

Weighted Points, 125 but less than 250:

Frances C. Meyrat, 33-6
Vitolds J. Voskans, 33-6
Bernard L. McNary, 33-1
Douglas W. Eubanks, 33-3
Como James D. Anderson, 33-6
William R. Tilton, 33-7
James P. Berry, 33-6
Roland C. Newton, 33-4
Suzanne H. Tomlinson, 33-4
James F. Sitzman, 33-3

Public Affairs 20 or More Hours
Karl H. Rasmussen IV, 33-3
Annette M. Rasmussen, 33-3
Norma J. Newton, 33-4

Public Affairs
Top Performer
Douglass R. Jansen, 33-4

Marine Safety 20 or More Hours
Brandon T. Butters, 33-4

Iowans cleaning up after Sunday's vicious winds

It could have been worse.

That's what Iowans talked about as they chain-sawed, swept up and sweated Sunday afternoon July 18.

The tornado-strength winds and lightning that wept through Iowa in the early hours of Sunday morning tossed boats in Okoboji.

But authorities said no major injuries were reported. The storm that destroyed six rental and

demo boats at Mau Marine in West Okoboji left untouched a brand-new \$350,000 pier that replaced one crushed by snow earlier in the year.

"I think there's been a tremendous amount of boat and hoist damage all over the lake area," said Julie Andres, co-owner of Mau Marine. "Everyone is kind of cleaning up and chain-sawing trees." One weather station reported a gust of 96.9 mph six miles outside Spirit Lake, said Mike Ehret, Dickinson County emergency management coordinator. <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=20107190325> (See photos below and on page 12. Fred Busey photographer.)

