

11th WATCH

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District 11, Flotilla 11-11

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Final Letter from the Commander

To my fellow ship mates:

First of all I want to say what an honor it has been for me to be your Flotilla Commander over these past two years. We have had many times where there were sad days and many times where we had wonderful days. But as ship mates each and every one of us came through it together.

We have seen a lot of changes within the flotilla and how the new members have stepped forward in taking up positions when they have been asked to. I know in my heart that I am turning over this position to someone who will carry on where I have left off. I ask for all of you to give the new team the same great support that you have given to me and not to worry (mother will just be a shout away).

I want to say thank you to each and every one of you. I just don't know how to express myself, sometimes I just cannot find the words. I have been told my looks will say it all.

Thank you, everyone, for giving me the honor of being your Flotilla Commander.

Marcella J. Reinert-Hungerford
Flotilla Commander of 114-11-11
#1 all the way

Awards & Announcements

Flotilla 11-11 would like to congratulate:

Robert Gutman (FSO-DV)
and
Philip Becerra (FSO-MA)
for receiving
Certificates of appreciation.

Monthly Meeting

The next flotilla meeting will be on October 24, at Denny's Restaurant, 1180 Alabama Street, Redlands, CA, (north of I-10 freeway in Redlands, CA). Fellowship Hour begins at 1830, (6:30pm) meeting starts at 1930, (7:30pm).



Philip Becerra (FSO-MA) receiving a Certificate of appreciation from Denver Driberg VFC

Paratus Prep

For a chance at recognition by the Flotilla please send your answers to Kerry Morgan FSO-PB. Members who get all five questions correct will have their names read out during the monthly Flotilla meeting. The FSO-PB can be reached at: Kerrym1968@yahoo.com

1. A metal object on the pier resembling a tree stump and made to receive mooring lines is a?
 - a. Bight.
 - b. Bollard.
 - c. Chock.
 - d. Camel.
2. A stream of water immediately surrounding a moving vessel's hull, flowing in the same direction as the vessel is known as?
 - a. Directional Current.
 - b. Forward Current.
 - c. Propeller Current.
 - d. Wake current.
3. A U.S. Coast Guard icebreaker may use all of the following distinctive lights when escorting ships in ice EXCEPT?
 - a. A single blue rotating light.
 - b. A single amber rotating light.
 - c. A single red rotating light.
 - d. Red aircraft warning lights.
4. A vessel brought alongside should be fended off the towing vessel by?
 - a. Crew member using their arms.
 - b. A boat hook.
 - c. Fenders.
 - d. No fending is necessary.
5. Angular motion about the longitudinal axis of a vessel is known as?
 - a. Pitch.
 - b. Surge.
 - c. Sway.
 - d. Roll.

Paratus Prep Answers for October

1. A rope ladder with wooden rungs is a ?
 - Jacob's ladder.
2. A set of interior steps on a ship leading up to a deck from below is known as _ _?
 - A companion way.
3. A sheave is a _____?
 - a. Grooved wheel in a block.
4. A smooth, tapered pin, usually of wood, used to open up the strands of a rope for splicing is called a(n) _____?
 - a. Fid.
5. A snatch block is a _____?
 - a. Hinged block.

Auxiliary History

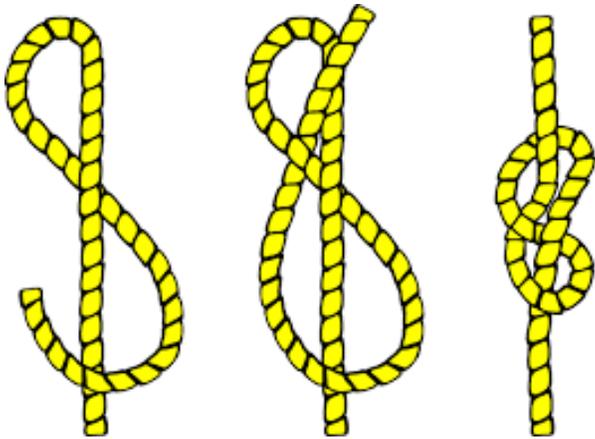
On November 1, 1941, President Roosevelt signed an order transferring the Coast Guard from the Treasury Department to the Navy Department.

4th Cornerstone

The October flotilla meeting marks the last official meeting of the year for our flotilla. I am sure we all wish to thank our outgoing Flotilla Commander, Vice Flotilla Commander and Immediate Past Flotilla Commander for two great years of leadership.

Knot of the Month

Figure Eight



The figure-eight or figure-of-eight knot is also called the Flemish knot. The knot is the sailor's common single-strand stopper knot and is tied in the ends of tackle falls and running rigging. It is used about ship wherever a temporary stopper knot is required.

ID Cards

Please check your I.D. cards to ensure they are in date. Any member who does not have an I.D. card or whose I.D. card will expire within the next 60 days should contact Denver Driberg, VFC, FSO-HR, as soon as possible. The VFC can be reached by using the following email address:

denver.aux@gmail.com

Cap'n Barnaby Says...

The term "pieces of eight" merely refers to the Spanish dollar, having a value of eight reals, and stamped during the coining process with a large figure 8. As late as the civil war between the states the Spanish dollar was in general circulation in the United States. Its value was almost the same as the U.S. dollar. From the Spanish dollar, or piece-of-eight came the fictitious unit, the "bit," valued artificially at 12 ½ cents, thus, "two bits" is a quarter; "four bits" is a half dollar. Many of these coins were made from silver mined in Mexico. They were frequently cut into 2-4 pieces to provide "fractional currency" during coin shortages.

The wisdom of Cap'n Barnaby comes from a Coast Guard Auxiliary Book from 1988 dealing with clipart for Auxiliary newsletters and was donated by Larry Bitonti FSO-OP

Dates to Remember

November 12, 2017. Human Resources training, LA Long beach, 8am.

November 18, 2017. Team Coordinated Training, Oddfellows Club, Corona, 9am. If you want to be on the boat crew for the 2018 season then you need to complete this course.

December 2, 2017. Staff Officer Training, Oddfellows Club, Corona, 9am.

December 10, 2017, The Annual Flotilla Holiday Dinner , location to be determined.

January 5-7, 2018. D-Train 2018 - San Diego Marriott Mission Valley.

February 11, 2018. Division Change of Watch, Royal Vista Country Club, Corona.

D-Train 2018

Our annual District Training Conference will be held on January 5-7, 2018. The festivities will take place at the San Diego Marriott Mission Valley. If you have never been to a D Train this is the one for you. Registration Is Now Open at the district web site:

<http://www.d11s.org>

Division Meetings

Have you ever wanted to see how the division meetings work? Why not come along and see for yourself. Everyone is welcome. The meetings are every 3rd Wednesday of the month at Denny's Restaurant, 17009-A Valley Blvd, Fontana. Fellowship Hour begins at 1830, (6:30pm) meeting starts at 1930, (7:30pm).



Semper Paratus



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Nice job

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