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New Member at September Meeting



Left to Right: Whit Vick, FC; Jeff Blomgren, IPFC and new member, Tim Hansen.

Tim took the oath of membership at the September 4 flotilla meeting.

Welcome aboard, Tim!

Photo by Carolyn Strong, FSO-PB 14-8

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FROM WHIT VICK - YOUR FLOTILLA COMMANDER



Heroes

The news these days seems to run about 80-20 bad vs. good, and it's easy to get hung up on the bad. So, sometimes to decrease my blood pressure and maintain sanity, I turn the news off and try to think about things that are good and right with the world. This got me thinking about people I admire, role models, people who seem to do the right thing no matter what. Heroes fit this description.

I believe heroes come in different varieties or maybe there is a spectrum of heroic traits. The obvious are what I would call "action" heroes-- individuals who react quickly and positively in an emergency to save or rescue someone or something. And then there are the more low key or unsung heroes, who by numerous small good acts or behavior demonstrate an often unrecognized heroism. Some seem to have a combination of these traits.

This is seriously dating myself, but when I was young, my heroes were TV stars like Superman or Sky King; Later, Clint Eastwood and John Wayne. These are more in the category of action heroes. What I admired about these was they mostly always did the right thing, were unfailingly honest, brave and selfless. They were not necessarily on the surface "nice guys"--some (e.g. Clint Eastwood, John Wayne) did not suffer fools, deadbeats, slackers, or imposters.

In the active duty Coast Guard, there are rescue swimmers, helicopter pilots, and other search and rescue personnel, who as a matter of routine take calculated risks to save others. In our own Auxiliary flotilla, we have the example of Buz Palmer who entered the St Johns river at night to save a woman--this story was recently recounted in an article written by Ralph Little. Another hero to me was my dad; he was a general surgeon of the old school who always seemed to be at or going back to the hospital to help someone.

A recent (8/22/12) Wall Street Journal article on the subject of action-type heroes talked about something called "positive psychology", described as the study of human strengths and virtues. This article cited certain common traits of heroes. Some of these are: a strong sense of moral and social responsibility; empathy or care and concern for other people; a tendency to frame events positively and expect good outcomes; a strong sense of ethics and above average coping skills; fear does not stop them from doing the right thing; a tendency to take charge and to block out the possibility of injury or material loss. The values that inspire heroism are often taught in childhood.

I believe there are unsung heroes in our midst in the Auxiliary. A good example is Carolyn and Bob Strong who have devoted much of their adult life to promoting goals of the Coast Guard Auxiliary; or John Hadley, who has put in over 1500 hours for the Auxiliary this year; or Becky Habermas, who has doggedly and relentlessly pursued new members to keep our flotilla alive; or John and Judy Davis (Flotilla 14-4) and our own Jeff Blomgren who quietly exemplify some of the best of human traits, including generosity, kindness, wisdom, maturity, and devotion to duty; or Marlene Koehl, who has stepped up on multiple occasions to fill unexpected gaps in coverage; or Jesse Stevens, who has been an unfailing friend to our flotilla and to me personally; or to all our active members who have voluntarily contributed by writing articles, teaching boating classes, manning booths, doing vessel exams, visiting marinas and marine dealers. You are heroes, too.

Semper paratus, Whit Vick, Flotilla Commander

FLOTILLA 14-8 STAFF OFFICERS

Paul Burns - Communications Services (FSO-CS)
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Charles Smith – Vessel Examination (FSO-VE)
Whit Vick – Operations (FSO-OP)

FLOTILLA STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS - RESPONSE

OPERATIONS – WHIT VICK



Patrols on 16 foot *Carlie II* are scheduled for 9/29/12 in Palatka for two boat drills with Ted Schneider of Flotilla 14-7 and 10/13/12 for a kayak race on the Arlington River where we will team up with boats from 14-4.

John Hadley has almost finished his crew training and will continue training in October for a scheduled QE audit in late October.

We have a number of new members interested in crew. To accommodate these will take a team effort and hopefully we can get one or more facilities available in our flotilla. As you may know, we currently have only one active facility (*Carlie II*) in Flotilla

14-8, and this limits our flotilla's capability to provide on the water training. The Flotilla 14-4 Boat Crew Academy starts in October, and this is open to all for crew training, including on the water opportunities on 14-4 boats. Contact me or John Hadley if you want more information on this.

Whit Vick, FSO-OP

FLOTILLA STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS - PREVENTION

<u>MEMBER TRAINING – JOHN HADLEY</u>



Member Training Continues Its Pace

Action accelerated noticeably during September in member training. This was due to assistance from the scheduled speaker, who was unable to complete his commitment. Most of all, the flotilla meeting stepped off the month in fine style. This was due to Marlene Koehl, FSO-IS who was finally able to deliver her paper-work/ and recording presentation to all, including new members.

When the mentoring assignments were finally made, member training began in earnest. To date, the following new members have received their mentors: George

Law, Whatley Law, Tom Edwards, Tim Hansen, David Fay, Charles White and Michael Daniels. We are all pleased that this sudden deluge of new members has gotten so far in their growth in this flotilla.

The progress made by some of our members has been outstanding. So far, two new members have completed ICS 100, one has completed ICS 700, two have attended the 8-hour TCT course, one has attended DTrain in St. Petersburg Sept 21-23, and one member has completed both his Vessel Examiner and Program Visitor online exams. Congratulations to Dave Fay for this accomplishment! Additionally, one Instructor Development package has been mailed out, and Whatley Law has expressed interest in getting one as well.

Member Training report continued...

On Saturday 29 September opportunities for VE candidates to start their 5 qualifying exams will start when RiverFest 2012 is scheduled to at NASJAX. Ralph Little and Marlene Koehl have volunteered to staff Flotilla 14-8's booth. The opportunities for Member Training's teaching continue.

Respectfully Submitted, John Hadley FSO-MT

PUBLIC EDUCATION – BOB STRONG



On Saturday, September 15, for the first time in many years, we held our public boating course at the Florida Tackle and Gun Club (FT&GC). It was a success even considering six potential students cancelled at the last minute for personal reasons. Four students who had not even bothered to register showed up at the Stellar building. Thanks to Jack Holler, who stood by at Stellar for the first hour, all four students where directed to the FT&GC. The total number of students attending was twelve and one was under the age of 17.

Our last two public Boating Courses this year will be held at the FT&GC on Saturday, October 13 and November 10, 2012. Please let me know by October 6, if you will be available to help with either of these courses. If you are a new member and want to teach and/or help with the public courses please contact me now.

Bob Strong, FSO-PE

<u>PROGRAM VISITOR – MARLENE KOEHL</u>



As of 20 September our Program Visitors (PVs) have reported 116 visits made in the third quarter of 2012 with 29 being done in September. I am coordinating with the FSO-Vessel Examiner to provide a boating safety booth and vessel examinations at one of our partner locations, Mulberry Cove Marina's RiverFest event scheduled for 29 September.

RBS-Alerts is a boating safety alert service that provides boating safety tips, best practice ideas, and important announcements about boating safety. This announcement-only mailing list is hosted by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Go to:

http://bdept.cgaux.org/mailman/listinfo/rbs-alerts_bdept.cgaux.org to subscribe to this free service.

Marlene Koehl, FSO-IS

VESSEL EXAMINER (Acting) – JOHN HADLEY



Vessel Safety Checks have tailed off greatly with the occurrence of the Labor Day holiday. With the many Duval-Clay-St John county students back in school, there are less opportunities for vessel safety checks than before. However, chances still are in store.

Discussions are still going on with a possible Vessel Examination (VE) day at Florida Yacht Club, but the chances are fading.

NASJAX/MWR will be holding RiverFest all day Saturday 29 September from 0900-1700 at Mulberry Cove Marina. Members Marlene Koehl and Ralph Little are very much thanked for volunteering to serve the booth and coach the two new members, Whatley Law and Dave Fay, in their qualifying VEs.

14-8 is Great!

John Hadley, (acting) FSO-VE

FLOTILLA STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS - LOGISTICS

<u>HUMAN RESOURCES – REBECCA HABERMAS</u>



We've just received information from the Office of Auxiliary of some new changes that will take effect to the next Auxiliary Manual anticipated in 2013. For more information on these changes the following web site has been made available (http://uscg.mil/auxiliary/default.asp). Many of the new changes deal with the enrollment and processing of new Auxiliarists, mainly those in Approval Pending (AP) status.

The most significant change is in the authorization to issue an Auxiliary ID card to a member in AP status as part of the approval of their enrollment package by the

Director. This change can be found in paragraph 3.D.2.c. ID Cards and EMPLIDs (Page 3-25): "Authorized Auxiliarists will have access to the Coast Guard Exchange System (CGES) facilities and services and limited exchange privileges contained in the Coast Guard non-appropriated Fund Instrumentalities Manual COMDTINST M7010.5. They will also be authorized to use Department of Defense (DoD) limited exchange privileges, as written in the Armed Services Exchange Regulations DoD Instruction 1330.21. Auxiliarist will be allowed to purchase uniform articles and accessories authorized by Coast Guard policies".

What this means is that:

Members in AP Status will now be issued ID cards (maybe within 2 weeks). Once an Auxiliarist has been cleared, they will then be updated to either IQ, BQ or AX by DirAux.

Becky Habermas, FSO-HR

<u>INFORMATION SYSTEMS – MARLENE KOEHL</u>



In At last month's flotilla meeting, I did a brief presentation on AuxInfo, AuxDirectory and several of the most commonly used forms. If you have any questions or need assistance with any IS issue, please contact me at mekoehl@gmail.com

Recently, I sent out an email to all flotilla members regarding the National Help Desk and how it can be a useful tool in answering some of your questions about the Auxiliary. Following is an example of the information relating to Forms that is available to you from this site.

What mileage and costs are to be shown on Form 7029?

Posted by Jan Robert Munroe on 05 February 2012 02:18 PM*

From ANSC Form 7029, Section 3 – Non-Reimbursed Expenses: "Please list the total number of unreimbursed miles that you drove and the amount of any unreimbursed expenses required for all of your reported Auxiliary activity during this reporting period:" (Emphasis added)

Note that, in the instructions for Section 3, it elaborates on travel expenses, but does not exclude non-travel expenses.

The intent is for Auxiliarists to report the total of out-of-pocket expenses incurred in support of Coast Guard or Coast Guard Auxiliary missions. It does not matter if they were performing their Auxiliary activity with a hard-copy set of orders in hand or if they were implicitly assigned to duty simply by performing an authorized activity.

Since the user of this information may assume that these expenses represent the totality of costs borne by Auxiliarists in the performance of their duties, members should report **all costs** incurred on behalf of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, unless reimbursed.

Don't duplicate costs by showing the actual cost of operating your vehicle, if you've already shown the miles.

Information Systems report continued...

Examples of expenses to include on the Form 7029:

- An entrance fee to get to the ramp on a Saturday morning in order to do VSCs.
- The cost you incurred for dry cleaning uniforms.
- > The cost of materials purchased to make Auxiliary signboards for their facility
- The cost of plotting gear to satisfy the need to navigate to Coast Guard/Auxiliary standards while underway.
- The cost incurred by a member attending an Auxiliary conference at their own expense, including the mileage to and from the location, hotel costs, hotel taxes, meals, tolls, parking, etc., that would otherwise have gone onto the DD 1351-2, Travel Voucher.
- The mileage and cost incurred by a member volunteering at a local Coast Guard Unit on a daily basis, returning home at night. However, they would not be claiming anything for meals in this situation, as the meals would not be reimbursable under orders in that instance. (They would be deemed personal expenses.)
- The cost of ink cartridges purchased by an FSO-IS for a computer printer used almost exclusively for Auxiliary purposes.

Marlene Koehl, FSO-IS

PUBLIC AFFAIRS – KEVIN KOEHL



September marks the official end of summer, but for Florida boaters, it means the beginning of some of the best boating weather of the year. It also signals the start of the migration of many cruisers from Canada and our northeastern states to Florida for the winter months. Jacksonville, the St. Johns River and the Intracoastal Waterway play a major role in this migration. Many seasonal boaters use our area marinas and boatyards for summer storage of their sailboats, cruisers, and trawlers. With hurricane season starting to wind down, cruises will make their way to the Florida Coast, the Keys, and the Bahamas to take advantage of the warm weather, boater

friendly communities, and great fishing.

The Coast Guard and the Auxiliary play vital role in this migration. The Intracoastal Waterway, affectionately known by cruisers as the "ditch", is the major route in the migration. The Intracoastal Waterway, a narrow man-made channel, is constantly subject to shoaling, especially at inlets. The Coast Guard and the Auxiliary constantly monitor the aids to navigation which mark the channel to keep boaters safe. Temporary marker buoys are often placed to help guide boaters through hazardous areas subject to shoaling. The missions of the Coast Guard and Auxiliary are critical all year round to keep our Florida boating community safe.

Thanks to Ralph Little for contributing an article to the Mandarin News Line (see page 11).

Kevin Koehl, FSO-PA

From: "Rusty Gardner" <itsrusty@me.com>

Subject: Urgent Advisory

Mustang Survival is notifying the public of an "urgent advisory" for hydrostatic inflatable PFDs made during April and May. A portion of these PFDs could be subject to delayed inflations or non-inflations, according to the manufacturer.

See link for details:

http://www.mustangsurvival.com/sites/default/files/pdf/Mustang%20Survival%20HIT%20Inflatable%20PFD% 20Safety%20Advisory%20-%20US%20Consumer%20Alert%2004Sept2012.pdf

^{*}This article was written by the DVC-UM on 2/13/12. It was believed to be accurate as of that date.

PUBLICATIONS – CAROLYN STRONG



Flotilla Staff Officers are reminded to forward their reports to the Publications Officer by the 20th of each month. We are also always open to submissions of photographs and articles by members. This is your newsletter and your input is valued.

Carolyn Strong, FSO-PB

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AUXDirect provides important news and information for Coast Guard Auxiliary personnel.

WASHINGTON - For more than a decade, SITREP (http://teamcoastguard.org) has served with pride and distinction as the official eMagazine of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. SITREP has represented the best of the Coast Guard Auxiliary is all about -- it's members. The stories that have been told via SITREP represent a historical archive of the good this organization continues to do on a daily basis. At its inception, SITREP was cutting edge and ahead of its time. Unfortunately, time is the enemy of us all.

With the changing landscape of Coast Guard Auxiliary public affairs combined with evolving technologies, it has been determined that this is the time for SITREP to ride off into the sunset. This week represents the last time the SITREP team will post a story to teamcoastguard.org. It is their "Grand Finale."

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the following individuals for their service and commitment to producing SITREP on a weekly basis for the Coast Guard Auxiliary:

Mel Borofsky, Editor Jim D'Errico, Technology Team Lead Gerald Andrews, Tech Team Dr. Mary C. Gibbons, Tech Team Cecil Claspell, Tech Team Edmund Laphap, Tech Team

SITREP has been about the people of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. However, it was these people -- and others that worked on the project over the years -- that made it all possible. Their pride and dedication toward continuously delivering the SITREP product is keeping with the highest traditions of the public affairs team and the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Special recognition goes to Mel Borofsky who was the daily vision driving SITREP for more than a decade, and Jim D'Errico who led the SITREP tech team. Mel poured his heart and soul into the SITREP product to make sure the stories at the deck plate were told with a certain type of style and significance. The Auxiliary public affairs team is now challenged with continuing this tradition with our new COAST GUARD AUXILIARY LIVE (http://live.cgaux.org) product.

I would like to invite all of our members to visit SITREP at http://teamcoastguard.org and view not only the final story, but the wealth of past articles published by the SITREP team over the years.

Bravo Zulu to the entire SITREP team!

Date: August 30, 2012 Christopher Todd

Deputy Director | Government & Public Affairs

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Flotilla News

Charles White in a tragic car accident:

Becky Habermas, FSO-HR received a message from Charles White's brother saying that Charles was in a tragic car accident on Saturday, September 1st. He was hit head-on by a drunk driver. That driver did not survive. Charles, who was wearing his seat belt, was in a coma for four days but he is expected to make a full recovery. He sustained broken bones, a ruptured spleen, collapsed lung and swelling of his brain. His jaw was broken in three places from the airbag, so he is wired shut. Becky was able to reach him with a text message. He said he is only able get his nourishment through a straw and is on protein shakes. He is in good spirits but a lot of pain.

Some of you may remember that just after Charles joined our flotilla a few months ago, his fiancé died tragically. She was a police officer and died of a gunshot wound received while on duty. He is also a cancer survivor and a single parent of his 7 year old son, Ayden. He asks that we thank all of you for your prayers and get well wishes.

A fund has been set up at Wells Fargo under "The Charles White Assistance Fund" and donations are tax deductible. If you wish to send him a card, the address is: 3280 Broken Branch Lane, Jacksonville, FL 32223.

News Release

New senior leaders elected to serve US Coast Guard Auxiliary

WASHINGTON – The Coast Guard Auxiliary national board has elected new senior leadership to guide the organization through October 2014.

Commodore Thomas C. Mallison of Bear Lake, Mich. was elected as the organization's national commodore. Mallison will succeed current National Commodore James E. Vass, Jr. who is completing his two-year term of office. Mallison has served as vice national commodore under Vass since November 2010.

"The expanding number of operational, administrative and logistical missions that the Coast Guard Auxiliary is able to perform gives us ever-increasing opportunities for service," said Mallison. "Every member should be able to attain personal satisfaction within that array of missions."

Mallison has identified "training, communication, and members" as the watchwords that will help guide the Auxiliary's focus during his tenure as national commodore.

Commodore Mark Simoni of Saginaw, Mich. was elected to succeed Mallison as the vice national commodore of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Simoni previously served as a deputy national commodore overseeing the Midwestern U.S. region.

District Commodore Harold A. Marschall of First District – Southern Region, was elected to serve as the deputy national commodore -Atlantic area east.

District Commodore Richard Washburn of Eight District - Eastern Region, was elected to serve as the deputy national commodore - Atlantic area west.

District Commodore Angelo A. Perata of Eleventh District - Northern Region, was elected to serve as the deputy national commodore - Pacific area.

These commodore-elects will serve a two-year term beginning November 1, 2012. The elections were held at the Coast Guard Auxiliary national conference (NACON) in San Antonio last week.

Date: Sep 1, 2012

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Public Affairs

Contact: Public Affairs Officer

From: OfficeoftheSecretary@HQ.DHS.GOV Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 8:53 AM **REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11**

Dear Colleagues,

The anniversary of the events of September 11th carries special meaning for all of us as members of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) family. We remember the attacks every day, but especially on this day, as they are the reason our Department was formed.

In the eleven years since September 11th, DHS has matured and our capabilities have grown, transforming how we approach homeland security.

We have made significant progress-strengthening relationships with federal, state and local partners, law enforcement, and first responders. We have forged new partnerships with community groups and the private sector. And we have empowered citizens-in hometowns across the country-to become active and engaged in keeping their communities safe.

All of you - the men and women of DHS-have been critical to these achievements. Together, we are helping make America safer, more resilient, and stronger than ever before.

Thank you for your service, for the many sacrifices you have made, and for your ongoing efforts to secure our Nation.

Yours very truly,
Janet Napolitano
Secretary
OfficeoftheSecretary@HQ.DHS.GOV

FLOTILLA 14-8 PHOTO ALBUM Congratulations:

SEPTEMBER 4 FLOTILLA MEETING



New member, Tim Hansen took the oath of membership and received his Membership Certificate at the September flotilla meeting.

Meeting photos by Carolyn Strong

SEPTEMBER 4 FLOTILLA MEETING

Four new members received their Membership Certificates.

They are: Tim Hansen (pictured on previous page); George Law, David Fay and Whatley Law.



Left: George Law and Whit Vick





Left: Whatley Law and Whit Vick

George, Dave and Whatley were sworn in as members of Flotilla 14-8 at the August 7 flotilla meeting.

September Night Out

At SHANNON'S IRISH PUB in Fruit Cove



Having a good time at Shannon's:
Becky and Ron Habermas, Bob
Strong, Marlene Koehl, Carolyn
Strong and Kevin Koehl.

Photo contributed by Kevin Koehl

Mandarin Newsline – September Edition



United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Update America's Waterway Watch

By Contributing Writer Ralph Little, Flotilla 14-8

The St. Johns River in the Mandarin area draws many to its great waterborne recreation opportunities. It also offers direct connections to the Intracoastal Waterway, the ocean and onwards to the East Coast and the world. Locally, this marine environment contains bridges, cable crossings, a major naval aviation base and periodic fireworks and air shows. The greater locally accessible area includes ports, a city waterfront, major sports and cultural venues, hospitals, fuel depots, a power plant and two naval bases.

In today's environment, all these features require heightened vigilance to protect them from crime, environmental damage, terrorism and sabotage. America's Waterway Watch is a nationwide initiative similar to the well known and successful Neighborhood Watch program that asks community members to report suspicious activities to local law enforcement agencies. In addition to publicizing the program, the Auxiliary's role includes response as any observant citizen and willingness to assist the reporting of any marine observation, such as a suspected pollution dumping, through your contact with our patrols or members.

It is important to know what to report and how to report it, but ACTING on your suspicion is the key. Suspicious Activity is a pattern of behavior that arouses a "gut feeling" that something is not right. This program thrives on reports from local boaters who are familiar with what is a departure from "normal". Trust your intuition, but remember it is the behavior of individuals that is suspicious, not their ethnic, religious, or national origin. While time is important in most cases, some activities relate to ongoing issues so don't ignore something you noticed recently or forgot to call in. Your information may not result in a headline, but may be a key event to understand a pattern of activity.

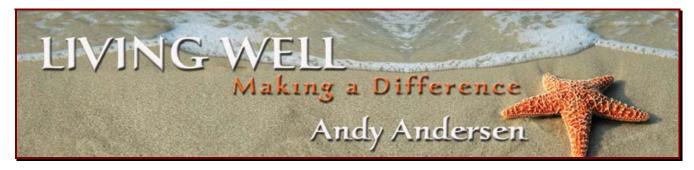
For your safety, report whatever triggers your suspicion while remaining unknown to those engaged in the activity. The basic report includes Colors, Year, Make, License and special features like motors, name or antennae. As with an accident report, the Who, What, Where, When and How answers pertain. Along with the basis of your suspicion, those are what you will be asked. If you want more information and videos see the website http://aww.aww-sp.com/Americas Waterway Watch/Home.html.

To report suspicious activity; call the National Response Center at 877-24WATCH (877-249-2824. If there is immediate danger to life or property, call 911. You can also call the U.S. Coast Guard on Channel 16, although that open transmission could alert an astute perpetrator.



Always remember that people are not suspicious, behavior is!

Guest Speaker at October 2 Flotilla Meeting



Andy shares his experience, colorful stories and lessons after walking this earth for more than 50 years!



As a dedicated family man and passionate patriot, Andy saw the need for financial management education for his sailors and crafted a powerful seminar for Patrol Squadron Sixteen and Naval Air Station Jacksonville in 1993. His common sense approach to everyday finances proved so effective, he was asked by the Secretary of the Navy's office to speak at the launching the of the Navy's "Personal Financial Management Program" on C-Span live. He also testified before the U.S. Senate Military Benefits Committee on the effect that personal finance has on "families and combat readiness."

In 1998 while in Washington working for the Secretary of Defense, Andy experienced some life changing events, and decided to add the life management section to his presentations. Especially since 9-11 and the economic crisis, he noticed that *America is in serious need of healing*...needing to recapture the happiness and bright outlook we once possessed.

Andy was well respected by his sailors and is still requested to speak at many navy functions. His seminars had a *profound affect on the attitudes and performance* of his last command Patrol Squadron Thirty in 1999.

By far the most powerful aspect of Captain Andersen's message is the importance and wide ranging impact that "life management and adding joy to your life" has on both individuals and organizations. Due to years of requests from a large variety of audiences, Andy offers this message to any group interested in reevaluating their perspective on business and life. Never forget, **people are the lifeblood of your organization** ... not until they share a common passion and joy for life, will you begin to realize your true potential!

"The value of a man should be seen in what he gives and not in what he is able to receive."

-- Albert Einstein (1879-1955) German-American physicist



Our next Flotilla 14-8 "Night Out" will be October 18th starting at 6:30 PM at LOS LOROS (formerly Los Toros) Mexican Restaurant at Baymeadows Rd & Old Kings Rd.

Don't forget! Mark your calendar now!

IN MEMORIAM JOSEPHINE RAINER

Josephine M. Rainer, age 88, passed away Monday, September 17, 2012 in Jacksonville, FL. Josephine was born March 8, 1924 in Exeland, Wisconsin. Josephine was a member of St. Matthews Catholic Church and the Ladies Young At Heart Group at the church. Survivors include her devoted husband Raymond Rainer; two brothers Francis Dantzman and Norbert Dantzman (Beverly); one sister Rosemary Thalman; one sister-in -law Ruth Jackson; one brother-in-law Russell Rainer (Sybil). A Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, September 22, 2012 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, with Father Jose Kulathinal as celebrant. Interment followed services at Riverside Memorial Park. Guest Book

January 2007 - Celebrating 35 Years of Auxiliary Service



Josephine and Ray Rainer both received Auxiliary Membership Service Awards and Certificates of Retirement from the Auxiliary after 35 Years of Dedicated Service to Flotilla 14-8. They joined Flotilla 14-8 in November 1971. She served as FSO-SR for many years and Ray served as FSO-MA. Ray now lives in a nursing home for Veterans near St. Augustine, FL.

FLOTILLA 14-8 MEETING

TUESDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2012

Fellowship & Refreshments 7 PM

Meeting to include Motivational Speaker Andy Andersen

Florida Tackle and Gun Club

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FELLOWSHIP DINNER OCTOBER 18

LOS LOROS MEXICAN RESTAURANT

Located at the corner of Baymeadows and Old Kings Rd

Thursday 20 September – gather at 6:30, dinner at 7:00 PM

Make reservation now, Email to cgstrong@comcast.net
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UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

ОСТ	02	Flotilla Meeting – 1900 - Florida Tackle & Gun Club
	07	July 7029 Reports due to FSO-IS
	13	ABS Class – 0730 to 1700 – Florida Tackle & Gun Club
	15	Division Staff Officers Reports due to division
	18	Flotilla Fellowship – Night Out at Los Loros Mexican Restaurant
	20	Division 14 Meeting – Election of Officers
	20	Eight Bells Deadline: Reports due to VFC & FSO-PB
	19-21	Sea and Sky Spectacular – Jax Beach Oceanfront – Featuring the Blue Angels
NOV	03	Ceremony at USCGAux Memorial Wall – ATON Station, Jax Beach
	08	Flotilla Meeting – 1900 - Florida Tackle & Gun Club – note date change!
		Quorum Required for Election of Flotilla Officers

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