



The Delta Gateway

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From the Quarterdeck: Curtis Han DCDR

Greetings to all. I am honored to have the opportunity to serve you as the Division Commander. With Charles McCarty as the Vice Commander, we are both looking forward to another great, successful year.

First, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all your ongoing support and dedication to the Auxiliary and to this Division.



Division 5 Change of Watch 2010

On January 24th, the annual Division Change of Watch was held at Jonesy's Restaurant, in Napa. Our outgoing Division Commander, Ray Van Cleave and his COW committee did a fabulous job putting the event together, in spite of many challenges they faced throughout. 62 members attended the event, including special guests, Captain Thomas Cullen (Deputy Commander at Sector San Francisco), DCOS Angelo Perata, DCAPT Dean La Chapelle, CWO2 Danny Kilburger, BMC Mark Spillane (CGSTA Vallejo), BM1 James Bufford (CGSTA Rio Vista), and Lt. Col. Ruth Meyer (Chief Wing Safety, Travis AFB).

Captain Cullen was our featured speaker and Mr. Kilburger honored us in the 'Oath of Office' of all elected and appointed staff officers. The 2009 staff officers were acknowledged for their dedicated efforts and contribution to our Division.

Furthermore, there were also several awards that were presented to best individuals and flotilla accomplishments. Congratulations to all recipients.

Operations - Bill Kinsey, FL52
Public Education - Barry Campbell, FL57
Vessel Examination - Gary Murray, FL55
Program Visitation - Gary Murray, FL55
Newsletter award - The Sea Breeze, FL52, Philip Craig FSO-PB 52
COMO Robert Phifer Top Gun - Tom Maxson, FL55
Commodore Mayland Award - FL55

This year will be filled with many training opportunities. We will be putting on two SAR operation training exercise events and an individual QE OPTREX. I strongly encourage as many Division 5 members as possible to participate in our upcoming operation training exercises and District training weekends. Please refer to the Division Calendar of Events page on our website.

It is also my desire to have information passed down in a timely manner, therefore, any news or events pertaining to the Auxiliary and our Division will be passed down the chain of leadership and management. Mr. McCarty and I believe in strong communication and interaction between all elected leaders and appointed staff officers. I am convinced that by combining our talents, resources and enthusiasm, we are more successful in our efforts.

Many members of our Division have valuable insights and worthy opinions. They are important to us, and we want to hear them. If we are to be successful, we must understand each other, communicate freely so everyone is on the same page and share our creative ideas to find our problems and the best solutions to them.

I would also strongly encourage you to attend our Division Meetings, as often as you are able, on the first Thursday of the month. Mr. McCarty and I are looking forward to your stalwart participation. Thank you very much.

DIVISION 5 CHANGE OF WATCH JANUARY 24, 2010



Photos courtesy of Curtis Han



Gary Murray FL 55 receives VE & PV awards



Angelo Perata DCOS AUX11NR & CAPT Cullen USCG



Top Gun Tom Maxson



Ray VanCleave receives Auxiliary Achievement Award



Philip Craig FSO-PB accepts FL Newsletter Award

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DISTRICT 11NR & DIVISION 5 CALENDAR JAN10-MAY10

For further information on upcoming District 11NR events and deadlines,

please see <http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/calendar/district.html>

Silver highlighted=Director, DCO and/or COS unavailable.

DATE	EVENT 2010	DETAILS
JAN 24-31	NTRAIN - DSO MS, PA, PE, PV, VE and ASC	St Louis MO
JAN 30	COW DIV 7	Madeline's, West Jordan UT FLYER
JAN 31	Auxiliary Unit Financial Report Delinquent on MAR 1	ANSC 7025 Due to Stephen Chan, ADSO-FN
FEB 1	District Commodore's Trophy - FC Recommendation	Needs to be to DCO by this date
FEB 4	Division 5 Board & Staff meeting	Vallejo Yacht Club 2000
FEB 10	District Telephone Board Meeting	1900 PST
FEB 20-21	* PAST CAPT TRAINING FAIR * NO REGISTRATIONS AFTER FEB 15	CG Island FLYER Contact: Mary Kirkwood
FEB 27	Meeting: Annual QE Mandatory Last Saturday in February	Coast Guard Island
MAR 1	Auxiliary Unit Financial Report Delinquent after this date	ANSC 7025 Due to Stephen Chan, ADSO-FN
MAR 4	Division 5 Board & Staff meeting	Vallejo Yacht Club 2000
MAR 16	Dockwalker training	Napa Valley Yacht Club 1900-2040
MAR 26 - 28	D-TRAIN	Rohnert Park, CA WEBSITE
APR 1	Division 5 Board & Staff meeting	Vallejo Yacht Club 2000
APR 1	Dockwalker training	Benicia Yacht Club 1000 to 1240
APR 21	District Telephone Board Meeting	1900 PDT
APR 24	Division 5 OPTREX	CGSTA Vallejo
APR 29-MAY 2	Division 3 OPTREX	Antlers Shasta Lake , CA FLYER Contact: Charlie Duncan
MAY 6	Division 5 Board & Staff meeting	Vallejo Yacht Club 2000
MAY 15	District Board/Staff Meeting	1030 - CG Island
MAY 22-28	National Safe Boating Week (NSBW)	National Event

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