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USCG Auxiliary Casco Bay
Flotilla 21 1NR

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Have a safe, relaxing Labor Day weekend

September, 2005

Monthly Flotilla Meeting 12 September 2005

Time: 1900
Place: Rusty Scupper Club
So. Portland, Maine
Uniform: TBL or appropriate
civilian attire

Refreshments to be served

Are you attending the 10 Sept Lobster Bake? Complete & return the reservation form on pg 2 to meet the deadline.

From our Commander.....

The events that have taken place in the Gulf Coast this week have, probably like many of you, caused me to pause a moment & reflect on the magnitude of this event and to gaze in horror at the level of the destruction. The news from New Orleans, Biloxi, Gulfport & other areas hard hit by the hurricane is for the most part, all bad. Yet as I've been listening I have also paused to reflect on three of the very few silver linings I have seen in this tragedy.

The first is the relentless spirit of the giving & volunteerism by US citizens. Throughout the country volunteers are heading to the stricken areas to assist in lending aid to others. Blood drives, food drives, & people opening their wallet to give assistance to those who are in need are just a few of the ways people are getting involved. Much like the aftermath of 09/11, people are once again rallying to help their fellow Americans.

The other image that I have seen often over the last couple of days is that of the USCG rescuing people from their rooftops via helicopter--Over 1200 rescues in the first 2 days alone. The courage of these brave members of the gold side is impressive & is only overshadowed by their humility. How great it is that we in the Auxiliary have the best of both worlds. To be a part of such a vital organization as the USCG and to be American Volunteers, it doesn't get much better than that.

Finally, and closest to home, the number of people in our Flotilla, who are willing to step in and aid both here & in New Orleans is growing with every e-mail I receive. I am proud to be counted among your numbers. Let us keep the victims of this hurricane in our thoughts & prayers.

Thank you, Keith Fosler FC-21



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Congratulations! for successfully becoming Boat Crew qualified:

*Dave Bilodeau, Deb Bilodeau,
Steven Birmingham,
Judy Davidson, Peter Doria*

Register now for
AUXOP—AUXSEA
Classes begin 3 Oct 2005

AUXSEA, the Auxiliary Seamanship Specialty course, is designed to present the Auxiliarist with a thorough knowledge of vessels and proficiency in their operation.

For more information contact FSO-MT, David L. Drake II





Staff Officer Reports

Aids to Nav [V. Thompson] — **PATON & bridge assignments** are being received. Good job, keep them coming.

Marine Safety [K. Cady] — I worked with A. Hegggers on updating the area contingency plan (ACP) & the area maritime security plan (AMS). HARPAT's were conducted with 16 missions during the month. Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA) were performed with 6 missions on **Casco Bay Lines**. The MARSEC elevation for maritime transportation was relaxed back to MARSEC 1. MST 2 C. Porter will present a Trident Pollution Response Specialist course beginning 25 SEPT at 1830.

Any members are welcome to participate regardless of their past Trident qualifications.

Information Services [J Davidson] — All **reports** sent to me have been submitted for entry into AUXDATA. SO-IS is pulling all 7030 mission reports for Safety Patrols directly from POMS.

Materials [L. Lemieux] — I have received all materials necessary to meet requirements for Sept PE classes. I will submit the next procurement order 5 Sept 2005. Please e-mail your requirements to me by 3 Sept 05.

Membership Training [D. Drake] — The **Instructors course** is underway. We had 2 members from FL25

that attended the first two classes, but are going to finish and take the test online. We currently have 6 members participating from FL21. I will be ordering the exams this week & we expect to hold the test 13 Sept. The initial start date for the **AUXSEA class** looks to be October 3rd. **CPR refresher class** is still scheduled for October 15th.

Personnel Services [K. Caprio] — *Ten letters were sent out to prospective members *dates were set up for October & November member classes *Nine new members have been issued official membership certificates ***Several new members were given a tour** of the *USCG Cutter Jefferson* Island was given by the XO

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CASCO BAY FLOTILLA 21 LOBSTER BAKE



DATE: SATURDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2005
 LOCATION: Brad and Susan Thompson's—1 Ocean Avenue Higgins Beach, Scarborough
 TIME: 1300 — 1700 (serving at about 1400)
 ATTENDEES: Auxiliarists—Friends—Distinguished Guests
 UNIFORM: Casual

- ⇒ Each person should bring their own eating utensils, lobster crackers and picks, folding chair and sunscreen, plus your own alcoholic beverage, if desired. Soda & coffee will be provided.
- ⇒ Please bring a salad, hors d'oeuvre or dessert to share with the group.
- ⇒ **Lobsters and steaks must be ordered IN ADVANCE.**



Join in on the fun and have a great day at the beach! [Contact Brad by telephone if you need directions to their home.]

Cut along the dotted line and return with your payment

Name(s) _____		
<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Choice:</u>	<u>Price:</u>
_____	2 Lobsters, (clams if available), corn, beverages	\$15.00
_____	Steak, corn, beverages	\$15.00

Please mail this reservation and remittance [or call] by **Wednesday, September 7, 2005** to:
Debra A. Bilodeau, FSO-FN, 20 Coulthard Farms Road, Scarborough, ME 04074



**CASCO BAY FLOTILLA 21 INR
2005 FALL AWARDS DINNER MEETING—OCTOBER 10, 2005**

Keith G. Fosler - Flotilla Commander / David Bilodeau - Vice Flotilla Commander
Rusty Scupper Club, So. Portland Station — Social 1600 followed by dinner

Cut along dotted line and mail with your payment.

NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER SEPTEMBER 27TH DEADLINE.

*** **CASH BAR AVAILABLE** ***

Cost:	<u>\$13.00 per meal</u>	<u>Number</u>
Meal Choice:	Teriyaki Steak Tips with Mushrooms Baked Stuffed Haddock	_____ _____
	Above is served with choice of potato or rice, fresh vegetables, dinner rolls, tossed salad, and dessert and coffee	

Name: _____

Please mail this reservation and remittance by **Monday, September 26, 2005** to:

MAIL TO: Debra A. Bilodeau, FSO-FN
20 Coulthard Farms Road
Scarborough, ME 04074 [Tel # 883-5785]

Make check payable to: FLOTILLA 0IN-21 USCGAUX



ANYONE MAKING A RESERVATION AND NOT ATTENDING WILL FORFEIT HIS OR HER PAY-

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*Additional letters are being sent out to new members as the requests are received *Additional tours of USCG Cutters stationed at So Portland to be considered.

Program Visitor [J. Horne]—With the help of J. Glass, we have completed visits to marine dealers in the greater Portland area. Continue updating marinas and dealers with literature.

Public Affairs [J. Mottalini]—I unofficially represented FL21 at the **celebration of the creation of the Coast Guard** [215 years ago] at the Anglican Cathedral of St. Paul, also known as the

Maritime Church of the Port of Portland on 7 Aug 2005. The remembrance included the dedication of a plaque **in memory of Coastguardsman Nathan Bruckenthal**, killed in action in the Gulf of Basra earlier this year. At the end of the service Captain Gerrity presented a large USCG ensign to be displayed in the cathedral. Following a HARD-PATS tour with R. Gelles on 14 Aug 2005, also manned the mail boat trip of **Casco Bay Lines** and spoke with some tourists who asked questions about our presence and the Auxiliary and seemed pleased with same.

Secretary [J. Childs]—**Seeking a candidate** for upcoming elections for the **FSO-SR position**.

Vessel Examination [N. Magoon]—Total **VSCs** to date is 151. Follow up feedback with the Falmouth & Yarmouth harbormasters has been positive. Both have requested 2006 blitzs. VE turnout was excellent & all were complimented by both harbormasters. Aspasia Marina was added to our blitz location list. I hope to add Maine Yacht Center to our 2006 blitz list. I suggest we **develop our own poster listing the dates & times to post at marinas**.

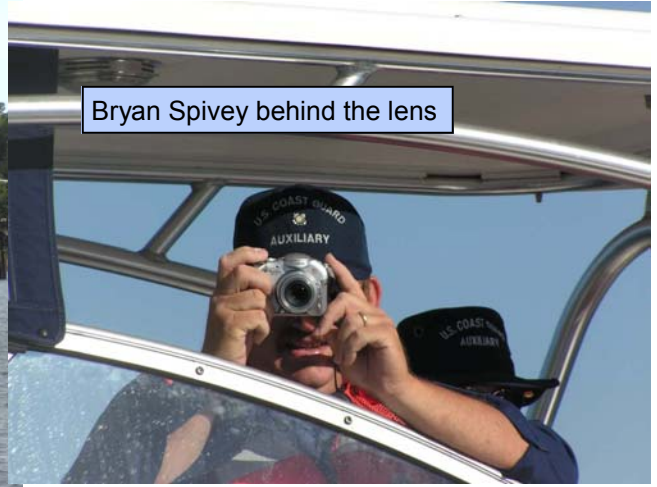




Bryan Spivey & Win Pillsbury
on "Ready to Go"



Bryan Spivey behind the lens



Robyn Fink, Jim Maxner,
Brad Thompson w/CG for
laying of the wreath
ceremony



Brad T. calling to his crew
"Let's get underway!"



September 2005

Coming to you soon—Auxiliary Officers & Staff are working to put together & distribute a member survey to gain a better understanding of what members would like out of their Monthly Flotilla meetings, etc. Your input is vital and your participation will be appreciated.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Labor Day	6 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta. S. Portland	7	8	9	10 1300 Lobster Bake Brad & Susan Thompson's Home on Higgins Bch
11	12 1900 Flotilla Monthly Meeting, Rusty Scupper, So. Portland Base	13 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta.	14 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	15	16 1900 Dis- trict Board & Staff Mtg [Elections] Assabet Valley HS	17
18	19	20 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC	21 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	22	23	24 Autumn Begins
25	26 1900 Flotilla Staff Meeting Classroom Sta. So. Portland	27 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC	28 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	29 Division Board & Staff Meeting	30	

Where is the flag located? *Presumpscot River estuary in Falmouth Foreside
[Visible as you pass over the Route One bridge between Portland and Falmouth]*

Congratulations to the following observant members: Bill Weeks, Richard Rottkov, David McClelland, Janis Childs, Deb & Dave Bilodeau, Kevin Cady, David Barnard, Frank Leavitt, Meredith S.S. Smith

Remember, any time there is a change to your Name, Address, Phone Numbers, Fax Number, Cell Phone Number, Emergency Contact Information or Email Address you need to fill out and submit ANSC form 7028 and send it to FSO/IS Judy Davidson, fsois@uscgauxsoportlandme.com, for the correction to go on your records. You can get her USPS address from the flotilla directory. This URL <http://www.uscgaux.org/~forms/archive/a7028f.pdf> will get you the form.

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October 2005

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2	3 1900 AUXSEA Classroom Sta. S. Portland	4 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC	5 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	6	7	8
9	10 1600 Flotilla Dinner Meeting Rusty Scupper, So. Portland	11 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC	12 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	13	14	15 0900-1600 CPR Refresher Course MSO Clsm, Pearl St
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30 Daylight Saving Time Begins	31 1900 AUXSEA Classroom Sta. S. Portland	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Winter Uniform is in effect </div>				

United States Coast Guard Auxiliarist Jason J. Esposito of Merrimac, MA, a member of Flotilla 38, First Coast Guard District, Northern Region is currently serving in the U.S. Air Force as an Airman First Class. He's a Loadmaster with the Military Airlift Command, 436th Airlift Wing, currently deployed in Iraq.



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JOIN US ON THE COAST *The Coast Guard Auxiliary*



We invite to join the more than 30,000 members... from all walks of life who assist the US Coast Guard in non-law enforcement programs such as public education, vessel safety checks, safety patrols, search and rescue, maritime security and environmental protection. Auxiliaries volunteer more than 2 million hours annually to benefit other boaters and their families.

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