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From our Flotilla Commander...

As we close out 2004 let me say thanks to for the effort put forth throughout this year by all of you. To say that it was a challenging year would be an understatement. Little did I know when I took the office of FC in Jan. last year what we would be facing with items such as the security check process, the changes in the New Member process, the mystery that is AUXDATA, the loss of OPFACS and the changes in meeting crew minimums. Yet as we typically due in Flotilla 21, we persevered. Our PE courses had strong attendance, despite the weather we still got in a respectable number on

VSC's, and we ended the OPS season on a strong note with the Eagle visit and the Queen Mary 2 making a stop in Portland. Member training didn't miss a beat and we managed to get two New Members courses in. Attendance at Flotilla meetings throughout the year was excellent, and most recently we had over 70 people attend our Holiday Party. From where I'm sitting morale appears to be good and we can end this year with the knowledge that we took on the challenges thrown at us and rose to the occasion. Farewell 2004 & welcome 2005, we in 21 are ready for you. Thank you, Keith Fosler FC-21

10 January 2005 Flotilla 21 Change of Watch Dinner

All Hands, just a quick reminder, if you haven't already put your dinner order in for the Change of Watch please do so shortly. The date is Jan. 10th, at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Downtown Portland. The social hour starts at 1800, with the dinner to follow. This should be

a nice evening of fellowship and a chance to celebrate our Flotilla and the good things about it. Let's start of 2005 strong! I look forward to seeing ALL OF YOU there. Thank you, Keith Fosler FC-21

Congrats to:
READY-TO-GO & her crew: Bryan Spivey and Dan Abbott, for being featured on the cover page of the Winter 2004 Nor'easter along with the QM2!

Also to, VCP2
Paul Smith-Valley is
featured on page 2
with more info on the
UTLT assigned to
Division 2.

Directory of Officers-2005:

FC Keith Fosler ■ FVC David Bilodeau FSO-SR Janis Childs- FSO-FN Debra Bilodeau FSO-PE Everett Henry FSO-VE Norm Magoon FSO-PV John Horne FSO-OP Jim Maxner FSO-AN Vinal Thompson FSO-MS Kevin Cady FSO-PS Kenneth Caprio * FSO-MA Louis Lemieux FSO-PA John Mottalini FSO-IS Judy Davidson FSO-CC Arn Heggers FSO-PB Lani York **I** FSO-CM Glenn Roberts FSO-CS Everett Henry IPFC Jim Maxner

Staff office positionsreflecting a change in staffare in *italics*.

Good luck to the 2005 Officers & Staff Officers!

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Special points of interest:

 See insert for the Division 2 Change of Watch, 14 Jan 2005 at the Marriott Sable Oaks, S Portland

• TCT Training

5 February at the Classroom Base S Portland—0800

Change of Watch



You are cordially invited to join Division Captain Paul Smith-Valley and staff for the *DIVISION 2 CHANGE OF WATCH* Friday evening, January 14, 2005 at the Marriott Sable Oaks in South Portland.

1800 Attitude Adjustment
1900 Sumptuous Plated Dinner

2000 Administration of Oaths of Office

Awards for 2004 Remarks by Distinguished Guests

Cash Bar
Hors d'Oeuvres Selection of
International & Domestic Cheese and Fruit Platter
Served with Specialty Crackers

New England Baked Haddock
Traditionally Prepared with Seasoned Bread Crumbs
and
Lemon Butter Sauce
served with a Rice Pilaf

-or-

Chicken Grenobloise

A Boneless Breast of Chicken Seared and Topped
with Saute ed Tiger Shrimp
and a Lemon Caper Cream Sauce
served with Roasted Red Potatoes

Driving directions:
 Interstate 95 to exit 45.
 Follow signs to Maine Mall Road. Take a right onto Maine Mall Road. At fourth light take a left onto Running Hill Road. Take first right into Sable Oaks/Portland Marriott Hotel.

BOTH INCLUDE:
Tossed Garden Salad
Chef's Choice of Seasonal Vegetables
Warm Crusty Rolls and Butter
Chef's Choice of Desert
Freshly brewed Gourmet Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee,
and/or selection of teas

Uniform of the Day—Mess Dress Blue, Dinner Dress Blue, or Appropriate Civilian Attire

R.S.V.P. by January 10, 2005

TEAR OFF RESERVATION FORM BELOW

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

Make your check payable to USCGAUX 01N-02 and return with your reservation to:

Judith Davidson, SO-FN2 P.O. Box 193 South Freeport, ME 04078-0193

Division 2 Change of Watch $*$ January 14	4. 200)5
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See you there! Please reserve the formula Chicken Grenobloise	ollowing: New England Baked Haddock
Number in your party	at \$30.00/person = \$
Name (s)	
Flotilla / Unit	



From FSO-CS Everett Henry...

Email spam blocker: If Flotilla Communication Services gets a message that Flotilla email is being blocked by a spam filter/blocker on a member's service. I will remove your name and email address for the flotilla email list. It is each members responsibility to check with their service provider and resolve the problem. If you check with your service provider, your service provider should be able to show you how to let our email through. If you don't do it I will remove you from our email list and you will not get any more email from the flotilla. National and District are also doing the same. Most information that comes down from National and District usually has a

reminder about Spam Filters and the fact that they do affect Auxiliary email.

Each member has to take responsibility for keeping their email in working order and checking it so that we don't get error messages that their email account is over quota. Over quota is the second largest reason that I get for email being returned. Checking once a week is not often enough. It must be done on a daily basis. I don't have time to be resending returned email mails because members don't take the time to see that everything is working. If all of a sudden you stop getting email from the flotilla and it has been awhile since you got anything from us it just may be that you email address was pulled from the email list because of:

- 1. Spam Blocker
- 2. Over quota (In box on server is full)
- 3. You changed your email address and did not let us know about the change and your old server has sent a message User Unknown.

Please help keep Flotilla Communication Lines open by a little house keeping of you email. This is not something that you can do just once and forget about it. It takes work and keeping an eye on what is happening with your server.

Prouts Neck Landmark No More

During World War I and II, U.S. military observation towers, painted a leafy green, were erected along the coast of Maine to look out for enemy ships and submarines. Many of the towers survive, but the one on exclusive Black Point is now a thing of the past. The lot was purchased for \$3 million by new owners who are razing the original shingle-style cottage beside the tower as well.

Visit the Portland Harbor Museum's new exhibit, "Shipwreck!!!" to learn about legendary maritime disasters and their effect on the Portland Harbor community. The exhibit includes artifacts and images from a number of local wrecks, and poignant underwater video of the Portland, which sank in 1898 with nearly 200 passengers and crew enroute from Boston to Portland. There's something for the whole family, with hands-on activities for kids and a brand new educational video game, Heroes and Shipwrecks of Portland.

About AUXPAT

AUXPAT classes begin 24 January at 1900 at the Classroom Base So Portland.
Contact David Drake to register.

AUXPAT, the Auxiliary Patrols Specialty course, is focused upon the complete spectrum of operational patrol activities both on the water and in the air. This includes Safety Patrols, Search and Rescue (SAR), Regatta spectator safety control (powerboat race, sailboat race, rowing race, etc.) and Chart Updating/Aids to Navigation Patrols.

Practical knowledge achieved by the Auxiliary Patrol Specialist, whether on the high seas, the coast areas, and rivers produces a keen awareness of, and response to, emergency situations, without jeopardizing the crew and facility.

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January 2005							
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Thank you Brenda & Stephan

All Hands, I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to Steve and Brenda Babirak for their hospitality and the use of their beautiful home for our Holiday Party. Next, to the other members of the committee who worked hard at putting this event together, Brad and Susan Thompson as well as Al and Jody Bingham, another big thank you. Finally to all of you who attended and the many people who brought items for the meal and desserts, thank you as well. It was by far one of the nicest Holiday Party events I have ever attended and from Lisa and I thanks for a great evening, Keith













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THE FANTOM PHIREMAN ASKS..

After the oil tanker Exxon Valdez created its famous oil spill in Prince William Sound, Alaska, it was rechristened.

What is its name today?

Please communicate your answer to the FSO-PB at york2@adelphia.net and look for the names of those with the correct answer in next month's Calendar Island Chronicle.

Dividing Nevada and Arizona, **Lake Mead**, America's largest man-made impoundment, holds 9.3 trillion gallons of Rocky Mountain runoff and, when full, boasts 700 miles of shoreline.

Judy Davidson, Frank Connelly, Phil Quinn, and Steve Birmingham responded with the answer to last month's question.

Upcoming Boat Shows 2005

March 17—20, 2005

34th Annual Maine Boat Show, Cumberland
County Civic Center, Portland

March 18—20, 2005

Maine Boat Builders
Show,
Portland Yacht
Services, Portland



April 1—3, 2005
7th Annual Pine State Boat Show,
USM Field house, Gorham