

11th WATCH

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Cap'n Barnaby Says...

Theophrastus of Eresos, one of Aristotle's pupils, wrote two books of proverbs for forecasting bad weather. He is acknowledged as the author of every mariner's first weather rhyme "Red sky at night, sailors delight, red sky in the morning, sailors warning." This usually reliable warning is based on the fact that storms generally move from west to east. The red evening sun is caused by the atmospheric dust that accompanies dry weather. As the sun sets in the west, the red sunset indicates the fair weather has passed by to the east, and may possibly be followed by bad weather from the west. This proverb is thought to have been widely known in coastal areas after the time of Theophrastus.

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.

Merry
Christmas

Happy
Hanukkah

Seasons
Greetings

Happy
Kwanzaa



Paratus Prep

For a chance at recognition by the Flotilla, please send your responses to Kerry Morgan VFC, FSO-PB. Members who get all five questions correct will have their names read out during the monthly Flotilla meeting. The VFC can be reached at: kerrym1968@yahoo.com

- 1) While standing look-out at night, a dim light on the horizon will be seen quickest by looking?
 - a. A little above the horizon.
 - b. Directly towards the light.
 - c. A little below the horizon.
 - d. Quickly above then quickly below the horizon.
- 2) While steering by autopilot you notice that the vessel has deviated 15 degrees from course and there is no corrective rudder being applied. As a standard operating procedure you should first?
 - a. Check the setting of the rudder adjustment.
 - b. Check the setting of the weather adjustment.
 - c. Switch to hand steering.
 - d. Immediately engage the trick wheel.
- 3) While underway in thick fog you are on watch and hear the cry "man overboard". Which type of maneuver should you make?
 - a. Figure eight turn.
 - b. Round turn.
 - c. Racetrack turn.
 - d. Williamson turn.
- 4) Wire rope is galvanized to?
 - a. Protect it from corrosion due to contact with saltwater.
 - b. Make it bend more easily.
 - c. Increase its strength.
 - d. Increase its circumference.
- 5) You are anchoring in a river where the current is from one direction only. The best way to lay out two anchors is to have them?
 - a. Directly in line with the bow.
 - b. Side by side, with their lines on the port and starboard side.
 - c. So that their lines form an angle.
 - d. On top of one another.

Paratus Prep

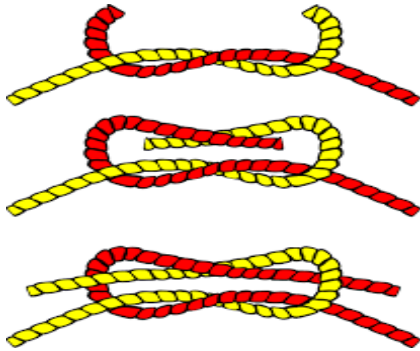
Below are the answers for the previous month

1. For the deepest water when rounding a bend in a river, you should navigate your vessel?
 - Toward the outside of the bend
2. Generally, you can best keep a vessel under steering control when the vessel has?
 - Headway
3. Holes in the bulwark, which allow deck water to drain into the sea, are called?
 - Freeing ports
4. How can the Coast Guard determine that a crew member is "able to understand any order spoken by the officers"?
 - Require a demonstration by the officer and the crew member
5. If a tow sinks in shallow water, you should?
 - Pay out cable until it's on the bottom and place a buoy on the upper end



Knot of the Month

Square Knot



The **Square Knot** is quick and easy to tie. It is a good knot for securing non-critical items. Not to be trusted to join two ropes together. This knot was used for centuries by sailors for reefing sails, hence the name Reef Knot, and tying things aboard ship. It is important that this knot should not be used as a bend (for tying two ropes together). It is unsafe and can come apart. Be sure to form the square knot and avoid tying a granny knot, by making sure that both parts of the rope, the standing line and the free end, exit the knot together.

Auxiliary History December

In December, 1945, just before ADM Waesche retired, he appointed a board of senior Coast Guard captains to "determine policy with respect to members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary performing Coast Guard duties." The board stridently reaffirmed the need for a peacetime Auxiliary.

4th Cornerstone

All officers of the flotilla wish flotilla members, families and friends Seasons Greetings and hope they have a happy and healthy new year.



ID Cards

Please check your I.D. Cards to ensure they are current. Any member of Flotilla 11-11 who does not have a valid I.D. Card or whose I.D. Card will expire within the next 60 days should contact **Cynthia McClain**, FSO-HR. The FSO-HR can be reached by using the following email address: Cynthia.mcclain13.cm@gmail.com



D-Train

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! The District Training Conference is coming!!!

Mark your calendars for January 4, 5 and 6, 2019 to join us in Beautiful San Diego.

Early bird registration is now open on the District website at D11S.org. Prices go up after 21 December.

Make your discounted hotel reservations at the San Diego Marriott Mission Bay.
Bring your family and explore the city.

Participate in Fun night. Come as your favorite Superhero or Cartoon Character, or just come as your fabulous self!

Join us for the Awards Ceremonies and Change of Watch Ceremony.

Attend a few of the many workshops. Offerings include: Mentoring, Member Retention, Setting up an awesome PA Booth, Disaster Preparedness, Operations/Coxswain/PWC workshops with the OTO, Intro to the Sea Scout program and many more

Did you just join the Auxiliary in 2018? If yes, Welcome!!! Your registration fee is waived and there's a workshop designed to introduce you to District Leadership, give you some hints, tips and guidance about how to navigate the Auxiliary, procure uniforms, and set your course for success!

Want uniform items? Our district materials store, AuxThrift and the Coast Guard exchange will be there to meet your needs.

Head over to the website today to read about the various course offerings and sign up to join us for a weekend of education, recognition and fellowship!

See you in San Diego!!!

Submitted by
Carrie Olson
Division Vice Commander

Registration and additional information can be found at the following web address: <http://dtrain.d11s.org>



COMMANDER'S CORNER

Shipmates:

What is the Difference between Gratitude and Thankfulness?

Thankfulness and gratitude are the two words that we often used to express the benefits we receive in life. However, most people do not understand the differences between the two.

To put it simple, **gratitude** means you are grateful and you can show it in many ways, including reciprocating help, cooking a dinner, help someone without expecting a return of favor, or buy someone a meal by helping strangers. Gratitude can be a way of life for someone.

On the other hand, **thankfulness** often means nothing more than saying the word, "Thank you". Saying "thank you" is a good act, however, this action often happens after the person received the benefits and it is more like an automatic response.

How to be Grateful and Thankful

The way to live an enriching and fulfilling life is to live with gratefulness. The key is to keep gratitude at the forefront of your life. When you focus your mind on how privileged you are, it makes it easy for you to want to bless other people and express your deep sense of appreciation toward other things.

Being thankful is great and being grateful is even better. You want to live a life with feeling that you are always blessed with the people and things around you. You can only achieve this state of being through gratefulness.

As we look forward to the end of the year, the celebrations of family and friends...I ask that you take time to reflect on your blessings, enjoy the holidays, get some good rest, and get ready for the start of new beginnings in 2019. It's going to be a great year ahead, and I am thankful to be a part of a great flotilla, and am grateful to have such a lot of talent in our flotilla. God bless you all.

Thanks for all you do.

Denver Driberg, Flotilla Commander

Article submitted by:

Denver Driberg, FC-Flotilla 114-11-11



FLOTILLA 114-11-11 / Holiday Party

You are invited to join Flotilla 114-11-11, as it's time to celebrate another year of service to our community, our nation and the US Coast Guard.

Event: Flotilla 114-11-11's **Holiday Party & Flotilla Change-of-Watch Dinner**

Date/Time: Sunday, Dec.09.2018 / 1700 hours (5.00pm)

Place: Mill Creek Cattle Co. (Banquet/Meeting Room)
1874 Mentone Blvd., Mentone, CA 92359
University Exit, Interstate 10-Redlands (map below)

Menu: Dinner Package 3 - \$19.99

Buffet – Tri-tip of Beef / Mill Creek Savory Chicken (Marinated, roasted and finished on the char grill, always tender and juicy) / Vegetarian Lasagna.

Cost: \$19.99/person.

The Flotilla will pay \$10 towards each Flotilla's member's meal. You are welcome to bring your spouse, partner, and kids.



Please R.S.V.P to Denver Drieberg (FC) email: denver.aux@gmail.com

FLOTILLA 114-11-07 / Holiday Party

You are all invited to join Flotilla 114-11-07 to celebrate this joyous time of the year.

Event: Flotilla 114-11-07 **Holiday Party**

Date/Time: Saturday, Dec.08.2018 / 1930 hours (7.30pm)

Place: Marie Callenders
1560 Albatross Rd, Rowland Heights, CA 91748



All are invited! Contact: Joyce Puckett, 323-257-7689 for information

*Happy New Year
And fair winds to all*



Semper Paratus



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