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North Star Flotilla Banner

**FC Rosalind Butziger called the meeting January 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm to order.**

**Members present:** Tammy Cole, Derek Robert, Roz, Nick and David Butziger, Glenn & Meg Rosera, Mike Quinn, Normand & Karen Caron, Charles & Vanessa Jenison, Elizabeth & Gary Davis, Steven O’Rouke, David Siesel, Robert & Maureen Van Herpe, Jim & Cynthia Robert & Bob Misenor

**Guests:** Kathryn & Steven Quinn, Jay & Jan Kolezar

**Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence for departed members & veterans led by VFC Karen Caron**

**Flotilla Commander Report:**

**Special Awards:** Unit Citation: 75th anniversary for All in Auxiliary 2009 – 2014 Service Award - Ribbon if first time and star for subsequent award. Congratulations for all service you perform, it is appreciated.

**Secretary Report:** Minutes of the December 2014 meeting accepted as e-mailed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Accepted as submitted

**(VFC) Vice Flotilla Commander’s Report: Karen Caron** distributed the 2015 calendar produced by the staff. Two forms – paper and online

**Staff Report:**

**(PE) Public Education:**  – Nick Butziger discussed that emails were sent out regarding the upcoming classes. Discussed how participation is needed by all to assist with the classes starting on Monday February 2nd up at Tollgate High School. The Advanced Navigation class is free for any member interested in taking the course.

**(PA) Public Affairs:** – Glenn Rosera discussed how information for upcoming classes will be posted at CCRI, RIC, Benny’s, Salk’s, local papers, and Derek Robert will start a Face Book Link to help reach the public.

**(VE) Vessel Examination:** – Derek Robert on 6/20/15 will be VE Day. This will take place on “Take a Kid Fishing Day”. There will be an opportunity to do the 5 VE’s required with a VE on that day. We will invite all Division 7 VE’s to join us and will provide them with refreshments, clipboards, etc. Brewer’s Marinas will advertise this event for us and we will do other Brewer’s Marinas on that day. The day will be followed by a brief meeting for all members and then end the day will end with a Steak Fry. Member participation is important on that day. There are currently 16 VE’s and VE Training will begin in May 2015 on Monday evening for those interested in becoming a VE.

**Membership Training:** – David Butziger discussed SAR day which will take place the weekend of July 18th & 19th. A Potters Cove Rendezvous will take place that weekend. Crew Training will begin May 6th, 2015.

**(OP) Operations:** – Charles Jenison stated it was quiet at this time due to the season. Castle Hill Training Day will be 6/6/15. He also stated that the Coast Guard is willing to join the auxiliary on patrols. The Air Show will take place in May.

**Social Coordinator:** –Derek Robert & David Butziger. Derek discussed the upcoming bowling which will take place in February at the Meadowbrook Bowling Lanes. More information will follow. A blessing of the fleet will take place in June this will be planned by Glenn, Derek & David Butziger. More information to follow.

**(MS) Marine Safety:** – Gary Davis no updates at this time however he did state that ice reports are coming in and that if you see ice call the Coast Guard. Harbor Patrols (HARPATS) continue from shore. You can go out with someone who already does this. No qualification needed for that.

**(PS) Personal Services: -** Mary Quinn & Cynthia Robert. Cynthia reported that there are 55 members at present. Phil Cox has left the flotilla due to his relocation to Boston.

**Communications:**  – Bob Van Herpe will be making some waterproof communications sheets for all facilities and holding brief practice drills at meetings. We will combine putting up the antenna with a flotilla clean-up party.

**(MA) Materials/ (IS) Information Systems:**  - Mike Quinn discussed how there are new Navigation books for Operational Facilities. All equipment and materials have been ordered for the upcoming classes.

**(NS) Navigation Systems:** – Mike Quinn discussed that information is updated on the website. He also asked that all members please fill out the 7028 forms.

**Old Business:**  none

**New Business:** Boat Show to be held the weekend of January 23rd: Need people to stand watch. February 8th there will be a Web Base Training class.

**Good of the Auxiliary:** –none

**Next Meeting:**  February 19th at 7pm

**Adjournment: 9:00 pm**

**Vanessa Jenison thanked Nick & Roz for hosting the Pot Luck supper and meeting at their house.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Tammy Cole**

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**VC Roz Butziger made** a motionto elect **Karen Caron** as VFC this was motioned by **Vanessa Jenison** and was second by **Meg Rosera.**

A motion was made by **Bob Van Herpe** for **Nick Butziger** to stay on the board which was second by **David Butziger.**

It was discussed that Greg for Brewers would like to meet with the Flotilla Commander in regards to Brewers wanting to revamp the land around the Flotilla headquarters. The meeting date is TBA. Concern was brought up regarding liability if a playground is set up on Flotilla property. Further discussion will take place once there are more details.

A motion was made for the treasurer to pay Brewer’s $1.00 to lease the land and was second by Meg Rosera

A motion was made by VFC Karen Caron in regards to mooring fees for members. $30.00 per family for those who have boats in the water this was second by David Butziger. All in favor Yes