

2018 SPRING D-TRAIN March 9-11

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary 5th Northern District



District Training and Board Meeting

Crowne Plaza Reading PA

OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION PACKET

What is D-TRAIN and WHY should I go?

D-TRAIN=District Training

It is a **FUN** place to go <u>every 6 months</u> and hang around like-minded fellow Auxiliarists who are the best at what they do. The dream team if you will, the most active members in the entire District come together along with some gold side (USCG) to teach and spend time with you.

A great motivational tool to keep you excited about things, to hear from active Coast Guard Officers on why the Auxiliary is important. Good Training you need!! Training is devotion to duty!

EVERY member should attend; we strive to have something for everyone!

COST CUTTING to attend a D-Train: Share a room, carpool, and come for the day. See if your Flotilla or Division is funding members? We hope to see you!



LCDR Victoria L. Taylor

Director of Auxiliary, D5-NR U.S. Coast Guard

"You have volunteered to an elite organization, where we ask much from you. Anyone can volunteer, but Coast Guard Auxiliarists are held to a higher standard and in order to be utilized, you will need special skillsets that the training at DTRAIN offers. DTRAIN is not just about the training, but does it in a way where fellowship is everywhere, in an easy atmosphere of camaraderie and friendship, and where recognition takes place."



District Commodore Barry Kyper

Opportunity Knocks! Spring D-Train is just around the corner, where else can you receive training that equals that of the finest military force in the country? Where else can you rub elbows with likeminded individuals who volunteer their time and talents to save lives and protect our waterways? Where else can you share information and fellowship with long standing friends from across the district in many venues at this event? Where else can you commune and share your thoughts and ideas with Coast Guard flag officers, National elected officers, your own district leadership and others? D-Train provides all of these opportunities and more. It's knocking on your door, will you open the door to participation or let this outstanding opportunity slip away? Hope to see you there.



District Chief of Staff Tomas Dever

"About a year after I joined the Auxiliary, my flotilla commander invited me to attend a D-Train with him. To save money, we shared a room and we attended the board meeting and several training classes together. That experience opened my eyes to the world of the Auxiliary outside of my own flotilla, and the training and service opportunities available to us. It allowed me to meet many of our leaders, more experienced members and our active duty teammates. I left with a new enthusiasm for the Auxiliary and serving the Coast Guard that I carry with me to this day." Tom



US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY 5NR DISTRICT TRAINING & BOARD MEETING 2018 SPRING SCHEDULE & DETAILS

TO REGISTER GO ONLINE

https://www.regonline.com/MAR2018 Registration is required, even if only attending A Saturday workshop, class attendance will Require a paid registration. Thank you!

\$\$\$ - Cost to attend D-TRAIN:

Registration Fee is \$10.00 per person Plus a Transaction fee of \$3.55 and 4.95% *Your Options are meals and hotel*

<u>Feesare non-refundable</u>

-We accept Checks or Credit Cards (Online Only)

Friday, MAR 9, 2018

1000-1700 Registration Desk Open (Lobby) 1300-1700 **DISTRICT BOARD MEETING**

1300-1700 - AUXLAM A

1730-2100 FUN NIGHT • BUFFET & 1950's FUN

2100-2300 "Welcome Aboard" Social

DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR:

DTRAIN-23 FEB

(Note-For classes not full, you may still register up till the event)

Sorry, NO meals available after Deadline



Crowne Plaza Reading 1741 Papermill Rd, Wyomissing PA 19610

****REGISTRATION REQUIRED****

<u>Saturday, MAR 10, 2018</u>

0630-0800 Members Buffet Breakfast 0630-0800 DSO Breakfast Meeting

0700-1130 **Registration Desk Open (Lobby)** 0800-1700 Devotion To Duty Hallway 0800-0900 Electronic Service 0800-1200 Operations Workshop 0800-1200 TCO 0800-1200 Aids to Navigation Verifier PQS 0800-1200 AUXLAM A (Cont.) 0900-1000 ICS 201 0930-1200 Spouse/Guest Program Wine Room 1000-1100 MY CGAUX 1100-1200 AWARDS

1200-1400 Luncheon Buffet and Awards

1400-1500 MY CG AUX
1400-1700 Operations Workshop (repeat)
1400-1700 TCO (cont.)
1400-1700 AUXLAM A (Cont.)
1400-1700 New Officers Workshop
1400-1700 Coxswain SAR Refresher
1500-1600 Photography for Auxiliary
1600-1700 Aux Air
1600-1700 DCDR's & VCDR's meeting w/DIRAUX

1730-1830 Cocktail Hour 1830-2200 Banquet 2200-2330 Social Mixer for ALL Members

<u>Sunday, MAR 11, 2018</u>

0730-0900 Members' Buffet Breakfast 0830-1000 Past Captains' Breakfast

0830-1230 – TCO (cont.) 0800-1500 – AUXLAM A (cont.)



HONOR RESPECT

DEVOTION TO DUTY

DTRAIN is HELD every second weekend in MARCH and SEPTEMBER, PLAN AHEAD!

Here are details of what classes are being offered at this DTRAIN

Annual Operations Workshop The Spring DTRAIN workshops are always focused on providing the members with the latest information to prepare for the operational season. This workshop will be offered twice, once in the morning and repeated in the afternoon.

Telecommunication Operator (TCO) The prepared and motivated student will achieve the TCO qualification at the completion of this course. In order to succeed in this mentored program, the student MUST download and print the Auxiliary Telecommunications Qualification Standard manual, study the manual and answer all quiz questions prior to attending D-Train. You will need to bring the printed manual, a separate printout of Appendix G (Mentor Tracking Form) and a chart of your AOR to class. All of these materials are required to successfully complete the training. This course will run Saturday morning and continue into Saturday afternoon. The team will be available Sunday morning if additional mentoring if needed. The TCO qualification is the first step for those members desiring to stand watch at SARDETS as well as preparing to qualify to watchstand at USCG Small Boat Stations. Students may find the material at this link: rdept.cgaux.org/documents/TCO%20Mentoring%20Guide%20090308.pdf

New Flotilla Officer Training Newly elected or Appointed Flotilla Officer? Although not a full blown Officer Training Course, selected "Nuts and Bolts" subjects will be covered to assist you on starting off on the right foot. Those that have already been in your situation will freely share from their experiences as leaders in the Auxiliary.

Auxiliary Aid to Navigation (ATON) Verifier PQS A prep course for the ATON Verifier PQS will be offered. The course will focus on the elements that make ATONs, PATONs and bridges compliant or discrepant with Federal Regulations, and the mechanisms for reporting these observations. Aid discrepancies, of course, can present serious problems for safe navigation; consequently, their reporting provides real support to the Coast Guard. Ideally, students should be boat crew qualified but the desire to become an aton verifier is a must. For questions contact Matt O'Brien at mobrien12@aol.com.

AuxAir Presentation Members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary Air Program volunteer their services to the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary, just as their surface Shipmates volunteer their boats and their boating skills. This course provides an in-depth overview of District 5NR's Air Program, its missions, and the various qualifications.

My CG AUX Site This workshop will focus on the current functions of the National website my.cgaux.org and how it can benefit your Flotilla, District or Division. This relatively new website is a robust system that allows Auxiliarists across the country to ask questions, discuss Auxiliary or USCG related issues, share knowledge, and many other helpful things. Additionally, attendees will be provided information about upcoming improvements and planned capabilities

The **Coxswain SAR refresher** course will review the history of SAR and current guidelines. The course will also review common search patterns along with hands-on plotting exercises of the most common search patterns used by the Auxiliary. Students should review TVMDC and STD and course plotting procedures as these will be required to complete the plotting exercises. Please bring plotting tools, pencils, erasure and a calculator to the class.

Electronic Services, AKA, Communication Services. An overview and mini-training session on the electronic services available in the 5NR. Subjects to be covered include email services, web services, and web conferencing.

To 201 or Not to 201, that is the question!

Explore the use of an ICS 201 form for flotilla and/or division events. Think of an event that your flotilla or division does each year and what and how you plan for that event. Suggestion: National Safe Boating Week. We will work on putting together the parts of the ICS 201 form and show how it can be done on the Incident Management System Software that is used by the Coast Guard planning sections as part of a complete Incident Action Plan.

Photography for Auxiliarists Coast Guard Auxiliary Photography Made Easy

It takes more than a camera to be a good Coast Guard Auxiliary photographer. But with today's smart technology and tips provided in this fun class, it's easier than ever to learn how to take great Auxiliary pictures. This course, designed strictly for Auxiliarist, provides for a solid grounding in the skills and tools you'll need to explore the world of digital photography. The path to becoming a better Auxiliarist Photographer begins with the first step. Start here!

Awards The Auxiliary Manual states that any member can recommend an Auxiliarist for an award. There are two awards that every Auxiliarist should be familiar with. These will be covered in a short presentation that will focus on the Commandant's Letter of Commendation (LOC) and the Meritorious Team Commendation (MOC).

AUXLAM"A" This is a leadership and management course for flotilla level elected leaders focused on responsibilities and management skills. It lays the foundation for all leadership skills necessary to successful leadership in the Coast Guard and the Auxiliary. This is a facilitated and interactive course dealing with Self Awareness, Motivation, Strategic Leadership, Team Building, Ethics, Conflict Management and Performance Problem Solving. The AUXLAM course is presented in two parts: A and B. Members may take the A or B course in any sequence. The AUXLAM-B course is currently scheduled for the Fall DTRAIN.

This is a National "C" School course and interested students must register with Ken Kendall at <u>lbi42@comcast.net</u> directly in order to be considered. All selected students must be under orders to attend thus all registrants must have completed the Auxiliary "Core Value" training. Additional information will be provided to those who apply and are selected. There are a limited number of seats available so it is best to register with Ken quickly.





Every Dtrain is filled with training for new members and experienced members. Besides we have keynote speakers from the USCG at meals you don't want to miss! I can't wait to go to Dtrain just to see members from other areas I only see at a Dtrain, fellowship is worth the price any day!

REGISTER ONLINE- https://www.regonline.com/MAR2018

Registration is required for anyone participating!



<u>UNIFORM OF THE DAY</u> All days are Appropriate Civilian Attire OR...

<u>Friday:</u> No Uniforms, Casual Dress Board/AUXLAM members– Tropical Blue acket OR

Saturday Before 1800: Tropical Blue (NO ODU's authorized) Saturday After 1800: Dinner Dress White Jacket OR Dinner Dress Blue (White shirt, Bow tie, Mini Medals)

Sunday: NO Uniforms, Casual Dress



EVER BEEN TO DISTRICT TRAINING? Why Not?

-Training here you can't get anywhere else! -Mingle and learn from our area Coast Guard -Meet Auxiliary from the entire District! -It's always nice to put a face with a name! -Specialty training and unique opportunities! -Fellowship unique to these events! -We are all here...where are YOU?

-----HOTEL RESERVATIONS------



CROWNE PLAZA, Reading 1741 Papermill Rd, Wyomissing PA 19610

Make a Hotel Reservation – DEADLINE is 23 FEB

Rooms booked after this date are not guaranteed at group rates.

BY PHONE: 1-877-814-2538

Tell them you are with the US Coast Guard Room Block - Code- UGG Local Hotel Number: 610-376-3811

Bed choice 2 Doubles or 1 King Please advise the hotel of any Handicap or other Requirements

You're Discount Rate: \$85.00 + Tax/Fees per night Rooms are by First Availability...Call today Suites available at higher rate of \$105 per night

Your Credit Card will be needed for the reservation and at check in at hotel.



GREAT FOOD • GREAT FUN • GREAT FELLOWSHIP!

THEME:

Dress 1950's Fun & Prizes





BIG BUFFET with CASH BAR



ONLY a \$30 Ticket includes admission to BIG BUFFET and Fellowship



DEVOTION TO DUTY HALLWAY

A Place for all FSO & SO's to meet & learn from the DSO

Sheduled to appear:

- AuxData Help Desk
- Publications
- Vessel Examinations
- Incident Management
- Communication Services
- Human Resources
- Food Service
- History
- Marine Safety
- Diversity
- Operations
- Communications
- Information Services
- Navigation Systems
- Aviation
- Member Training
- Public Affairs





This hallway has become one of the best parts of attending the dtrain. If you are interested in any area you can get all the information directly from the top DSO staff.

MOTIVATION for MEMBERS Let's Get Motivated!

The LUCKY BAG Cape May Uniform store. District Store for uniform accessories and Team 5NR clothing items.





FOOD SELECTIONS: (Prices include all taxes and gratuities!)

Meal cutoff is 23 FEB

Friday 1950's Big Buffet Dinner: \$30 with CASH BAR

- Garden Salad Bar Rolls and butter
- Mini Cheeseburger and French Fry Bar
- Hand Carved London Broil
- Chicken Cordon Blue
- Broiled Lemon Herb Crusted Haddock
- Baked Manicotti
- Mashed Potatoes
- Vegetable Medley
- Banana Split Bar and Malt Shakes
- Coffee, Tea & Decaffeinated Coffee

Saturday & Sunday Breakfast Buffet: \$17

- · Fresh Fruits and Assorted Cold Cereals
- \cdot Pastries, Biscuits and Assorted Preserves
- French Toast
- \cdot Fresh made Scrambled Eggs
- Bacon, Sausage, Home Fried Potatoes
- · Juice Variety, Coffee and Hot Tea

Saturday Lunch Buffet: \$17

- Variety of Sandwiches and Wraps
- Macaroni Salad, Potato Chips
- Spring Greens Salad with Ranch Dressing
- House baked Cookies, Brownies and Pies
- Iced Tea, Lemonade, Coffee, Tea & Decaffeinated Coffee

Saturday Commodore's Dinner Banquet:

All served with:

- Salad with dressing selections
- Chef's Choice Vegetable and Potato
- Rolls and Butter
- Dessert
- Iced Tea, Coffee, Tea & Decaffeinated Coffee
- CASH BAR Available for limited time

ENTRÉE CHOICES: Selection made during online registration

- \$27, Chicken Kiev with Panko Breading and Herbed Butter
- \$32, Poached Salmon with Crab Béarnaise Sause
- \$35, Filet Mignon with Arugula Pesto
- \$27, Gluten Free, Vegetarian or Special Diet Platter

REGISTER ONLINE AT https://www.regonline.com/MAR2018 DEADLINE FEB 23

FOOD is SUPERB FELLOWSHIP IS LIFELONG DO NOT MISS A MINUTE!

MEAL PRICES

These prices are very reasonable, compared to ANY restaurant that you pay extra for everything.

Your price here includes a private dinner, appetizer, entree, drink, dessert, tax and 21% gratuity.

We work hard to keep prices down and give you great meals. These events are very costly and designed to give you the training needed. Let's all come to be with friends and for fellowship.

Thank You

MEAL TICKETS REQUIRED TO ENTER MEALS

HOTEL STAFF WILL COLLECT TICKETS AT DOOR PLEASE HAVE THEM READY





<u>Training Tidbits</u>

From our DSO of Member Training, Steve Marthouse.

WHAT TO TAKE WHEN?

DTRAIN is filled with training opportunities. I suggest choosing what to attend based on what you WANT and where your interests lie. Some of these classes and workshops are offered at local Divisions, but some are only offered at DTRAIN. So utilize the time you spend wisely and select what interests you rather than feel pressured to just follow a group. We want to provide to the members a diversified offering of training opportunities. If there is something you feel should be offered here at a DTRAIN, please let us know.



Celebrating Watchstanders:

This spring we are celebrating those radio watchstanders who keep our fellow Auxiliarists safe and secure by monitoring radio communications while marine and AUXAIR patrols are underway, assist active duty stations with radio watch, support the operations center at Sector Delaware Bay and other locations, stand watch on CG vessels while at sea, and monitor high frequency radio for emergencies. TCO training is provided at this event to give interested Auxiliarists a chance to begin training for participation in the many opportunities afforded by this activity. Thanks to those watchstanders for their outstanding efforts in supporting our Auxiliary and active duty. I hope to see many new participants in this endeavor.

1-Hour Classes – We selected these informative presentations to be quick sessions. Each will be an hour or less in length and will be offered in one classroom during the day on Saturday. Registration is helpful for planning the room size, but should you find some time in your schedule, feel free to jump in and learn something new.

NEW OFFICER?

This course is a great kickoff if you are new to any elected or appointed staff office. The AOT and EOT are not widely available this year so we wanted a program to get you going in the right direction.

Sharpen your pencil and attend the SAR review class. We all need constant refresher on search and rescue and all the planning you need to be "semper paratus" ! We have classes for every interest at this D-Train.

Joe G will be teaching Photography which is a great way to advance in Public Affairs!

Follow your passion and you will find it in the USCG Auxiliary!



SPOUSE & GUEST PROGRAM



TEA PARTY & SOCIAL

Location: WINE RM SAT 0930



Do you like Tea? We will be sampling a variety of teas as well as receiving fun facts on the tea. A light fair of delights will also be served.

\$10.00 Admission

For questions on the guest program call: Janet Brown at 717-451-2384

SPRING 2018

CROWNE PLAZA INDOOR SWIMMING POOL AND FITNESS CENTER



QUESTIONS: Kevin Tyler,

Conference Coordinator

ktyler@ptd.net

SEE YOU AT

DTRAIN!



ONLINE REGISTRATION

GO TO: https://www.regonline.com/MAR2018

Here you will find an easy to follow step by step registration process.

DEADLINE 23 FEB



PHOTOS FROM RECENT D-TRAIN



























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