



# FIRST DISTRICT NORTHERN REGION 2024 AWARDS 2025



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**DISTRICT BOARD 2023**

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**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**  
**FIRST DISTRICT NORTHERN REGION**  
**2024 DISTRICT AWARDS**

**COMMODORE H.P. Hadley AWARD-Vessel Examiner** conducting the most Vessel Safety Checks during the year

GREGORY ROSEN, FLOTILLA 10-01, 176 VSC'S

**SECOND PLACE AWARD-**

EDWARD NOROIAN, FLOTILLA 11-06, 146 VSC'S

**THIRD PLACE AWARD-**

PAUL MAGLIO, FLOTILLA 04-06, 142 VSC'S

**COMMODORE JOSEPH A. POLITO AWARD-Flotilla** showing the most improvement in VSC program for the year

**FLOTILLA 9-06**

**LAWRENCE SCHERPA, FC**

**DIVISION 4 VSC AWARD-Flotilla** with the greatest number of VSCs in the District

FLOTILLA 10-01

446 VSCs

JAMES A. FINGER, FC

**SEAL OF SAFETY**

**Flotilla with the greatest number of VSCs in the District during National Safe Boating Week**

FLOTILLA 11-06

70 VSCs

KEVIN L. BROCK, FC

**PROGRAM VISITOR AWARDS**

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarists** with the greatest number of Recreational Boating Safety Program Visits

1<sup>st</sup>, WILLIAM CODY, FLOTILLA 06-03

342 VISITS

2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL OLIVEIRA, FLOTILLA 06-05

219 VISITS

3<sup>rd</sup>, PAUL FISHER, FLOTILLA 06-03

175 VISITS

**FIRST PLACE AWARD-Flotilla** with the greatest number of Program Visits

FLOTILLA 06-03  
669 VISITS  
STUART LEROY JERMAN, FC

**MARINE SAFETY PERFORMANCE AWARDS**

**FIRST SECOND AND THIRD PLACE AWARDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Place – DONALD BOULETTE, FLOTILLA 02-08	1,057.75 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – DONALD TYLER, FLOTILLA 02-08	531 HOURS
3rd Place –HARLAN DOLINER, FLOTILLA 05-03	159.75 HOURS

**COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL AWARDS**

**FIRST PLACE AWARD –**  
**CHRISTOPHER GERARD DEVITT, FC, FLOTILLA 02-05      87 HOURS**

**UNINSPECTED PASSENGER VESSEL**

JOHN R. MERRILL, FC  
, FLOTILLA 07-06      29.37 HOURS

**PUBLIC EDUCATION AND MEMBER TRAINING INSTRUCTOR AWARDS**

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarists** performing the most Public Education Instructor hours for the year.

1 <sup>st</sup> , LAWRENCE NOBREGA, FLOTILLA 05-02	122.5 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> , ALAN MISSEL, FLOTILLA 05-02	90 HOURS
3rd, PIERRE POULIN, FLOTILLA 02-01	72 HOURS

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarists** performing the most Member Training Instructor hours in the year.

1 <sup>st</sup> , SALLY SNOWMAN, FLOTILLA 12-05	89.5 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> , LAUREL CARLSON, FLOTILLA 06-05	84.75 HOURS
3rd, GEORGE DYROFF, FLOTILLA 05-03	50 HOURS

**FIRST PLACE AWARD-Auxiliarist** performing the most Public Education-Youth Instructor hours in the year.

KAREN I. MEGERDICHIAN, FLOTILLA 05-02      14 HOURS

**SHEPARD A. LESSER, Sr., AWARD-Flotilla** conducting the most Public Education Hours

FLOTILLA 05-02, 856.5 HOURS  
ALAN MISSEL, FC

**EARLE CLEMENT AWARD-Flotilla** conducting the most Member Training Hours

FLOTILLA 06-05, 241.5 HOURS  
STEVEN TPBOAS SCHAEFFER, FC

**DORIS F. CLOSE AWARD-Flotilla** conducting the most Public Education Youth Hours

FLOTILLA 05-02 14 HOURS  
ALAN MISSEL., FC

### **OPERATIONS AWARDS**

**THE SEMPER PARATUS AWARD-Auxiliarists** with the Most Outstanding Rescue

**NONE FOR 2024**

**THE ROBERT DERING AWARD-Most hours as Coxswain** in the year.

BILLY G. THORNTON, FLOTILLA 02-01 433.98 HOURS

### **SECOND and THIRD PLACE AWARDS**

2 <sup>nd</sup> , MICHAEL QUINN FLOTILLA 07-06	179.7 HOURS
3 <sup>rd</sup> , ALAN MISSEL, FLOTILLA 05-02	116.75 HOURS

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Most hours as Crew** in the year.

1 <sup>st</sup> , STUART GELDER FLOTILLA 02-01	433.73 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> STEPHEN SHANE, FLOTILLA 02-01	156.84 HOURS
3 <sup>rd</sup> WILLIAM MUIR, FLOTILLA 02-01	151.92 HOURS

**THE ANDREW CRANE AWARD – Most patrol hours as Pilot** in the year.

PAUL DIAMOND, FLOTILLA 10-03 130 HOURS

**SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS –Most hours as Pilot** in the year.

2 <sup>nd</sup> , PATRICK MacNAMARA, FLOTILLA 11-08	34 HOURS
3 <sup>rd</sup> . MICHAEL HENNESSEY., FLOTILLA 11-01	24.8 HOURS

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS** –Most hours as **Air Observer** in the year

1 <sup>st</sup> , BRIAN WELSH, FLOTILLA 07-11	35.75 HOURS
2 <sup>ND</sup> -, STEVEN BROWN, FLOTILLA 02-08	34.56 HOURS
3 <sup>RD</sup> , MICHAEL HENNESSEY, FLOTILLA 11-01	22.75 HOURS

**FIRST PLACE AWARDS-Flotilla** with the most number of **Surface Patrol Hours** in the year

1<sup>st</sup> FLOTILLA 02-01            1,753.23 HOURS  
THOMAS STEVEN ROCHE JR., FC

**FIRST PLACE AWARDS-Flotilla** with the most **Air Patrol Hours** in the year

FLOTILLA 10-03            134.7 HOURS  
DANIEL GRAMMEL, FC

**AIDS TO NAVIGATION AWARDS**

**MOST VERIFICATION AWARD-Auxiliarist** with the most Aid to Navigation Verifications in the year

1 <sup>st</sup> , STEPHEN WAGNER, FLOTILLA 11-02	140 ATONS
2 <sup>nd</sup> MICHAEL QUINN, FLOTILLA 07-06	70 ATONS
3 <sup>rd</sup> GEORGE DYROFF, FLOTILLA 05-03	40 ATONS

**LIGHTHOUSE PLAQUE**-Individual who contributed the most support to Lighthouse and Federal Aids maintenance.

WILLIAM CODY, FLOTILLA 06-03

**OPERATIONAL SUPPORT AWARDS**

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarist** with the most hours in **Administrative** area of Coast Guard Support for the year

1 <sup>st</sup> , COMO CAROLYN V. BELMORE, FLOTILLA 11-08	888.5 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> LAUREL CARLSON, FLOTILLA 06-05	586.5 HOURS
3 <sup>rd</sup> , STEPHEN SHANE, FLOTILLA 02-01	174 HOURS

**MEREDITH M. GOSS AWARD-Auxiliarist** with the most hours in Communications for the year

REID OSLIN, FLOTILLA 11-01  
1097 HOURS  
STATION CHATHAM

**SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarist** with the second and third most hours in Communications for the year

2 <sup>nd</sup> THOMAS GARY, FLOTILLA 11-01	671 HOURS
STATION WOODS HOLE	
3 <sup>rd</sup> JOHN MITCHELL, FLOTILLA 03-01	464.5 HOURS
STATION MERRIMAC RIVER	

**FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarist** with the most hours in **Operational** area of Coast Guard Support for the year.

(DOES NOT INCLUDE RADIO HOURS)

1 <sup>st</sup> OSCAR ORRINGER, FLOTILLA 12-08	998 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> PASCAL AGUIRRE, FLOTILLA 05-03	479.2 HOURS
3 <sup>rd</sup> JEFFREY THOMAS, FLOTILLA 11-02	391 HOURS

**CULINARY ASSISTANCE AWARD** –Auxiliarist performing the first and second most hours in Culinary Assistance for the year

1 <sup>st</sup> . JONATHAN NORMAN, FLOTILLA 05-03	379.59 HOURS
2 <sup>nd</sup> . LISA GOODWIN FLOTILLA 11-01	171 HOURS
3rd. DANIEL PICKARD, FLOTILLA 02-01	170 HOURS

### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS AWARDS**

**STEPHEN J. SADOWSKI AWARD**-Individual with the most Public Affairs hours in the year

ALYSSA LEE FLAHERTY, FLOTILLA 04-01, 1,122.5 HOURS

**SECOND and THIRD PLACE AWARDS-Auxiliarists** with the second and third most Public Affairs Hours in the year

2 <sup>nd</sup> , KATHLENE SAGE, FLOTILLA 11-01	591.75 HOURS
3 <sup>rd</sup> , BRADY CONNORS, FLOTILLA 10-01	434.25 HOURS

**FLOTILLA PUBLIC AFFAIRS AWARD**-The **Flotilla** with the most **Public Affairs** missions in the year

FLOTILLA 04-01	1,146.5 HOURS
THEODORE KARR., FC	

**PUBLICATIONS AWARDS**

**FLOTILLA NEWSLETTER AWARD-Best Flotilla Newsletter for the year 2023**

***THE IPSWICK BAY SOUNDINGS***

***FLOTILA 03-07***

**FLOTILLA EDITOR: TOM DOANE**

**COMMODORE H. EDWARD MACKENZIE AWARD-Best Division Newsletter for 2024**

***THE DIVISION 6 NEWSLETTER 2024***

**DIVISION SIX**

**EDITOR: APRIL OLIVEIRA**

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

**THE ELIZABETH AND CAPTAIN THOMAS D. FISHER**

**AWARD-A perpetual award presented annually to the “All Around  
Auxiliarist” based on total performance and participation in the most mission areas.**

**OSCAR ORRINGER**

**FLOTILLA 12-08**

**DISTRICT COMMODORE’S PLAQUE-**

**COMO JOHN HUME**

**MARK SEDGWICK**

**FLOTILLA 06-03**

**CHIEF OF STAFF’S PLAQUE-**

**GLEN A. GAYTON DCOS**

**NORMAND R. CHOQUETTE**

**FLOTILLA 07-08**

**DISTRICT CAPTAIN’S PLAQUE– NORTH**

**BRUCE MACCORMAC, DCAPT NORTH**

**DONALD FOSTER TYLER**

**FLOTILLA 02-08**

**DISTRICT CAPTAIN’S PLAQUE – CENTRAL**

**JUSTIN WRIGHT, DCPT-CENTRAL**

**DONALD JAMES ZIDIK**

**FLOTILLA 05-25**



**DISTRICT CAPTAIN'S PLAQUE- SOUTH  
DENNIS BUNNELL, DCAPT SOUTH**

**LAUREL CARLSON  
FLOTILLA 06-05**

**IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT COMMODORE'S PLAQUE-  
COMO BYRON MOE, IPDCO**

**DONALD B. LADD  
FLOTILLA 12-08**

**TEAM COAST GUARD PLAQUE-This award goes to a  
Member of Team Coast Guard First District Northern Region  
For their efforts in support of team spirit.**

**BM PAUL ZIMMERMAN, STA. PORTSMOUTH HARBOR  
SECTOR NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND, PORTLAND ME**

**SECTOR NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND**

**TEAM COAST GUARD PLAQUE-This award goes to a  
Member of Team Coast Guard First District Northern Region  
for their efforts in support of team spirit.**

**BMC LARRY B. JOHNSON  
STATION CAPE COD CANAL**

**SECTOR SOUTHEAST NEW ENGLAND**

**TEAM COAST GUARD PLAQUE-This award goes to a  
Member of Team Coast Guard First District Northern Region  
for their efforts in support of team spirit.**

**PO1 KATHERINE Y. PEREZ-ATIEILAR  
STATION MERRIMACK RIVER**

**SECTOR BOSTON**

**THE LARRY AND LENORE CLOSSON FAMILY PLAQUE -**  
**The Auxiliary Family that shows extended participation in**  
**Auxiliary Programs as determined by AUXINFO data.**

**FLOTILLA 09-07**  
**RICHARD M. KRAWCZYNSKI**  
**& PAUL I. KRAWCZYNSKI**

**THE DISTRICT COMMANDER'S PLAQUE-**  
**The most outstanding flotilla for the year as determined by**  
**using the BOAT US Flotilla of the Year criteria...**

**FLOTILLA 09-06**  
**LAWRENCE SCHERPA, FC**

**THE LT KENNETH LAMBERTSON PLAQUE-**  
**The second most outstanding flotilla for the year as determined**  
**using the BOAT US Flotilla of the Year criteria..**

**FLOTILLA 11-08**  
**PATRICK LOGAN, FC**

**THE JOSEPH E. GINSBERG PLAQUE-**  
**The third most outstanding flotilla for the year as determined**  
**as determined using the BOAT US Flotilla of the Year criteria.**

**FLOTILLA 05-02**  
**ALAN MISSEL., FC**

**THE COMMODORE R. FOSTER REYNOLDS PLAQUE-**  
**The flotilla deemed to be the "Most Improved" in the District as determined using the**  
**BOAT US Flotilla of the Year criteria.**

**FLOTILLA 06-03**  
**WILLIAM CODY, FC**

**PAST COMMANDER'S ASSOCIATION PLAQUE-**  
**The most outstanding Division for the year**

**DIVISION 11**  
**PETER DeBAKKER**  
**DIVISION COMMANDER**

**FLOTILLA MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**  
**2024**

**FLOTILLA 05-02**

**FLOTILLA COMMANDER**  
**ALAN MISSEL**

**CERTIFICATES OF ACCOMPLISHMENT**

**(Note: those receiving other awards in these programs not listed here)**

**50 OR MORE VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS**

Theodore Karr	David Siesel	John Colby
John Flanagan	Thomas Fydenkevez	Robert Brezenski
William Cody	William Bentley	Carole Falcone

**50 OR MORE RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY PROGRAM VISITOR**

John Flanagan	David Fillingim	Chad Widelo
Joseph Ellis	Donald Fennessey	Wayne Richardson

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION**

David Eastwood	David Warburton	Raymond Hogan
COMO Ronald Booth	Jane Eastman	Peter Lucchesi
Nathaniel Brady	Steven Wagner	Neal O'Brien

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF MEMBER TRAINING**

Billy G. Thornton	Stuart Gelder	Daniel Farren, Jr.
Stephen Shane	Charles Grossimon	James Thomson

**50 OR MORE HOURS AS COXSWAIN OR CREW**

Stuart Gelder	Joseph Encalada	David Gavin
William Muir	Paul Roderick	Frank Cotter
Stephen Shane	Daniel Calidonna	Richard Brady
Elizabeth Bernazzani	George Dyroff	Gwendolyn Leonard
Joseph Goldman	Benjamin Dugan	Gary Stankewicz
Michael Fortier	John Mansour	Jeffrey Thomas
Andrew Sawyer	Irwin Cohen	Russell Gasdia
Martin Kruse	Jane Eastman	Stephen Wagner
Stephen Hanauer	Douglas Grace	Daniel Farren
Pirun Sen	Aaron Leger	Peter Lucchesi
Thomas Gallagher	Mark Sullivan	Kevin Brock
Bruce MacCormac	Christopher Fletcher	Ethan McMorrow
David Eastwood	Thomas Chamberlin	Sally Snowman
Christopher Berns	Chad Cavanaugh	James Thomson
Bruce Young	Maryanne Moran	Michael Tilley
Gladys Benshimol	Gary Davis	
Gary Hover	James Collinson	

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF COAST GUARD OPERATIONAL SUPPORT**

George Preble	Harvey Leibovitz	Raymond Hogan
Eric Podolsky	Noah Kreatz	Russell Gasdia
Steven Hempel	Brian Roche	Kosta Lambros
Gary Hover	David Cabral	Paul Llanos
John Mitchell	Jay Goldrick	Douglas Borden
John Keyes	Robert Spang	

**50 OR MORE HOURS AS AIR OPERATIONS – PILOT  
NONE IN 2024**

**50 OR MORE HOURS AS AIR OPERATIONS – NON-LEAD  
NONE IN 2024**

**50 OR MORE ATON VERIFICATION  
NONE IN 2024**

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT**

Elizabeth Eggleston	John Keyes	Daniel Farren, Jr.
Leslie Schwartz	Noah Kreatz	Stephen Wagner
Britt Hultgren	James Stevens	Douglas Borden
Wayne Cedres	David Cabral	Debra Bryant
Michael Moore	Peter Thibault	

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS ACTIVITY**

Everett Henry	John Keyes	William Bell
Ashley Hill	Noah Kreatz	Robert Brezenski
Steven Hempel	Glendon Buscher	Reid Oslin
Michael Curry	Mark Sedgwick	Michael Hennessey
Leslie Schwartz	April Oliveira	Duncan Rushworth
Eugene Grossi	Molly Schaeffer	Erick Coe
John Collins	Donald Grace	Sally Snowman
Michael Moore	Charles Jenison	

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF MARINE SAFETY ACTIVITY**

Stuart Gelder	John Collins	Gary Davis
Leslie Schwartz	April Oliveira	S. Roy Jerman

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF COMMUNICATIONS WATCH STANDING**

William Flynn	Ronald McBrien	Charles Motes
Colin Samuels	John Mellen	Richard Brady
John Esser	David McClure	Michael Hayes
Billy Thornton	Joshua Desmond	David Quincy
John Mitchell	Maeve Greally	Wayne Iacono

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL EXAM ACTIVITY  
NONE FOR 2024**

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF CULINARY ASSISTANCE SUPPORT**

Chris Constantino	Daniel Shaw	Lorelle Mulvey
COMO Glen Gayton	Lisa Goodwin	Edward Noroian
William Cody	Karen Riesterer	Charles Cotnoir
Robert Ryan	Domenic Silletti	

**50 OR MORE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SUPPORT**

William Flynn  
Eugene Grossi

Jack London  
David Cabral

Christopher Jasparro  
Edward Blanchard

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF UNINSPECTED PASSENGER VESSEL EXAM ACTIVITY**  
**NONE FOR 2024**

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF CHAPLAIN SUPPORT ACTIVITY**

Mark Tuttle  
Daniel White

Floyd Grace  
Christopher Slack

**50 OR MORE HOURS OF INTERPRETER SUPPORT ACTIVITY**

David Murphy

David Cabral

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE AUXILIARISTS & UNITS**  
**RECOGNIZED**  
**IN THIS PROGRAM**

**THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE**  
**EFFORTS OF OUR DISTRICT IN ANY CAPACITY**



