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Boarding Manual

WHAT: A fun action-packed day of hands-on exposure to Coast Guard rescue tools and equipment.

WHEN: Saturday, 15 September 2018

WHO: This event is sponsored jointly by the United States Coast Guard Sector Maryland-National Capital Region, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, and the Northeast Region Area 6 Sea Scout Flotilla. This co-ed event is open to all registered Sea Scouts and Venturers. For information and questions not covered by this Boarding Manual, contact

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WHERE: United States Coast Guard Yard
2401 Hawkins Point Road, Baltimore, MD

DIRECTIONS:

From Washington and Points West or South

From I-95 or Rt. 295 North, turn right onto 695 (Baltimore Beltway) east for 5.4 miles to Exit 1. At the end of the off ramp, bear right. You will immediately come to an intersection with a traffic light (Hawkins Point Road). Turn right on Hawkins Point Road and continue 0.6 miles to the first traffic light. Turn left into the Coast Guard Yard. Park in the parking lot outside the gate. Bring your Safety-at-Sea Pass to the gate guard. You will be provided walking directions to the site.

From Points North and East

From I-95 South, take **left** exit onto 695 (Baltimore Beltway) east for 16.7 miles, over the Francis Scott Key Bridge, to Exit 1. At the end of the off ramp, turn left. You will immediately come to an intersection with a traffic light (Hawkins Point Road). Turn right on Hawkins Point Road and continue 0.6 miles to the first traffic light. Turn left into the Coast Guard Yard. Park in the parking lot outside the gate. Bring your Safety-at-Sea Pass to the gate guard. You will be provided walking directions to the site.

Check-In is on Saturday morning, 15 September between 0800 and 0900. Flag raising will be at 0900 Saturday morning.

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WHY: Because it is lots of fun, and because it gives Sea Scouts a chance to actually participate in activities such as manning a fire hose, lighting flares, trying to keep a damage control trainer “afloat”, seeing a helicopter, and learning more about the various missions of the United States Coast Guard. New activities have been added this year.

For a photo story about a prior Safety-at-Sea Weekend, go to:

[http://auxbdeptwiki.cgaux.org/index.php?title=Safety at Sea Weekend](http://auxbdeptwiki.cgaux.org/index.php?title=Safety_at_Sea_Weekend)

HOW MUCH: \$30 per person, which entitles you to an event T-shirt, and lunch, including a drink, as well as participation in the actual events. Please include a check payable to FRIENDS OF SEA SCOUTS OF MARYLAND, INC., in the amount of \$30 per registered attendee. Adults and youth pay the same fee to cover a t-shirt and lunch.

UNIFORMS: The uniform of the day for youth and adults will be the T-shirt provided for the event, and blue dungarees or dark blue shorts. Adults may wear the New Century Universal Uniform or the Sea Scout khaki uniform if they meet the Sea Scout Manual standards.

Wear a bathing suit under your uniform, and bring a change in clothes, as you will get wet at some of the events. Bring a towel.

Closed-toe shoes must be worn. Flip-flops, open toe shoes, and similar shoes will not be allowed. Attendees not wearing proper shoes will not be allowed to participate.

UPDATES: Updates to this boarding manual will be provided along the way via email to the skippers and on www.facebook.com/seascoutsner6/ .

SPECIAL NEEDS: If there are people in your ship that cannot walk from the parking lot to the activity site, then please list the persons in the appropriate place on the application page. We will need the vehicle license plate number for vehicles driving on the base. Some of the activities require agility. Please identify any youth that have special needs so that we may provide them with an enjoyable day.

The United States Coast Guard Yard: 115 Years of “Service to the Fleet”

26 April 1899 – Present time

For 115 years, the United States Coast Guard Yard has built, repaired and renovated ships in Baltimore, Maryland, for the U.S. Coast Guard. The history of the Coast Guard Yard heralds scores of success stories and recognizes the shipyard’s vital contributions to the United States Coast Guard for over a century.

In April 1899, the Revenue Cutter Service (RCS) signed a lease for 36 acres of farmland surrounding Arundel Cove. Two months later, LT John C. Moore, USRCS, arrived aboard the side-wheeler COLFAX to begin establishment of his experimental shipyard. The following year saw the arrival of the CHASE, a training ship for the RCS. The crew set up permanent quarters at the Arundel Cove “Depot,” marking the beginning of the Coast Guard Academy. In 1905, Congress authorized the purchase of the Depot’s land, added additional acreage, and the “Revenue Cutter Station at Curtis Bay” was permanently established.

The Depot’s facilities were consistently improved upon during the decade of the teens. When World War I broke out in 1917, the Coast Guard became part of the U.S. Navy and several Navy units were sent to the Depot for repairs and conversion.

In the 1930s, funds were obtained through Congressional appropriations to modernize the plant. A 40-ton marine railway was installed. With the transfer of the Lighthouse Service of the Department of Commerce to the Coast Guard in 1939, buoy construction became another major Depot function.

With the advent of World War II, the depot underwent extensive expansion to meet war demands. The Depot, now comparable in size and functions to a medium-size Navy shipyard, was officially designated the U.S. Coast Guard Yard. The shipyard’s work involved repair of scores of vessels including submarines, buoy manufacturing, production of canvas work for the Coast Guard, and building over 300 small wooden boats annually. Work included the construction of the largest cutters ever built at the Yard – the 255’ cutters MENDOTA and PONTCHARTRAIN. The Yard employed 3100 civilian workers during World War II. The Coast Guard’s war time Training Station (Boot Camp) added to the numbers of personnel at the Yard.

As the Yard reduced its workforce to fit the Service’s post-World War II needs, vessel overhaul, gun repair work, buoy construction and miscellaneous manufacturing made up much of the Yard’s workload. The era of the 50’s saw the construction of three hundred 40’ steel life saving patrol boats, two Coast Guard Lightships, and small craft like the 36’ 8” motor life boats. A total of fifty-eight 95 footers were built for the Coast Guard and the U.S. Navy. In March, 1958, a 100’ buoy tender, was launched at the Yard.

The first of fifty-three cutters built at the Yard under the 82’ patrol boat program was launched in February 1960. During the sixties, the Yard built 110 44’ MLB’s. Four 210’ Cutters were constructed at the Yard. During the 1960’s and into the early 1970’s, the Yard constructed five 157’ buoy tenders. Small boat construction included 206 Yard-built 25’8” fiberglass motor surfboats.

The trades continued the manufacturing of the Coast Guard’s lighted buoys in the 70s, a program that had begun at the Yard during the Second World War. Beginning in 1975, the Yard became the sole source for overhaul of the Coast Guard’s 5”38 caliber gun mount. The Yard constructed 277 41’ search & rescue utility

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boats. Four 160' construction tenders were built at the Yard. From the late 70's into the early 1980's, the Yard renovated sixteen 95' patrol boats. Built at the Yard in the 1950's, these cutters were in need of modernization or repair.

After completing an extensive, four-year repair project on the Coast Guard Barque EAGLE in the 1980's, the majestic cutter returned to the Yard in 1995 and 1998 for repair availabilities. Fourteen of the Coast Guard's 210' cutters underwent an 18-month, \$21 million renovation project. The land-based ship handling facility replaced the Yard's nearly 60-year-old dry dock in 1997. The shiplift is environmentally friendly and offers lower maintenance cost.

In 1999, the Yard celebrated its centennial, and a year later, saw the dawn of a new millennium and a renewed quest for continued quality service to the Coast Guard fleet. The year 2000 saw an increase in other government agency work such as the renovation of floating causeways for the Defense Department. In 2001, the Coast Guard Barque EAGLE came to the Yard for a repair availability and experienced her first lift on the land-based ship handling facility, the first of several in subsequent years. In 2002, the Yard commemorated the first lift of a 378' cutter, the CGC DALLAS, onto the shiplift and began the 110' Hull Sustainment Project. The ex-Navy steel floating drydock OAK RIDGE went into operation at the Yard in 2003, increasing the shipyard's capability to service the fleet. In 2004, the Yard met the challenges of Hurricane Isabel that brought the highest flood tides to the Baltimore area in 100 years. The Yard initiated its Trades Training Program that same year.

In 2007, the Yard continued work on the 270'/210'/110' classes of cutters in an effort to eliminate obsolete and unsupportable equipment and systems. In 2012 shipyard personnel traveled to New London, CT to work on the Barque Eagle. The Eagle will be spending the next five winters at the Coast Guard Yard. In 2014, the Yard concluded the Mission Effectiveness Project with modernization of fourteen 210' cutters, seventeen 110' cutters, and thirteen 270' cutters over the last nine years.

The Yard undertook the largest renewable energy project in Coast Guard history in 2007 with the groundbreaking of a methane-powered co-generation plant that will provide electricity and steam to all Yard facilities for the next 15 years. The methane will come from a City of Baltimore landfill located one mile from the shipyard. And, in 2013, the Yard graduated its fourth class of Trades Training students to assure that the Yard's future includes a high-quality, highly trained workforce.

Conclusion

The Yard is proud to have maintained a tradition of maritime excellence that has spanned 115 years. And will continue to prosper and build on its renowned reputation of quality "Service to the Coast Guard Fleet" well into the 21st century and beyond!

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SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

0800 Check-In Begins
0900 Opening Flag Raising and Briefing of the day's events/ground rules
0930 Events begin
1200 Break for lunch
1230 Resume events
1600 End of activities
1600 Field Day (Pick up all trash)
1630 End of events

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Activities will be chosen from the list below. Coast Guard Operational requirements may cause some activities to be substituted. These activities will be set up at different locations on the base. Each activity will involve a team of up to eight participants. Each activity will last about 30 minutes. There will be opportunities to do eight to ten different activities.

1. Damage Control Trainer (wet activity)
2. Fire hose buckets (wet activity)
3. Mustang training (wet activity)
4. Live flare training
5. P-6 dewatering pump (CG Station CB)
6. Man Overboard Drill (boat ride in Curtis Creek)
7. Marine radiotelephone
8. Tour of Coast Guard vessels including Buoy Tender *James Rankin*
9. Helicopter operations
10. Fire control simulator
11. Marine environmental protection
12. Coast Guard & Coast Guard Auxiliary recruiting & public affairs
13. Sea Scout Pulling Boat Exercise

If you have a set of FRS or the more modern GMRS radios, please bring them with you.

TO REGISTER: Complete the attached form and mail the data to:

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

MEALS: One meal on Saturday is included in the registration fee. Lunch will be a box meal, consisting of a sandwich, snack and candy, and a drink. Please let us know if any of your participants have special dietary needs.

WATER: An individual water bottle will be provided to each participant. Ships are requested to bring two five-gallon jugs of water to refill the individual water bottles.

ADULT SUPPORT: Per Boy Scout regulations, each ship must bring at least two adults. One adult will supervise the activities of the youth in their ship. The other adult(s) will be needed to help with the events or meal preparations. (No experience necessary)

GENERAL: We are guests on a U.S. military facility. Obey all instructions given to you by any Coast Guard or other military personnel. Stay in the area immediately around the activities. Do not wander into any other areas or buildings. Police your trash as we will have to clean up the facility before your departure.

OTHER INFORMATION

- If there are any questions, concerns or problems, contact Steve Nichols or his designated representative as soon as possible. The check-in station will be manned during the day, and will be a source of information for the Sea Scout community. Do not ask Coast Guard personnel questions which can be better answered by the Sea Scout leadership.
- **IMPORTANT – SEA SCOUTS AND ADULTS PARTICIPATING IN THE DAMAGE CONTROL SIMULATION PROGRAM WILL GET WET AND DIRTY. BE SURE TO BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES AND TOWEL FOR THIS EXERCISE, INCLUDING OLD SHOES/SNEAKERS.**
- All Sea Scout Ships must have approved tour permits. The permits must be displayed upon arrival at the check-in desk.
- All Sea Scout Ship Skippers/Mates are responsible for securing parental/guardian permission slips for each youth participant. Event leadership will not be responsible for obtaining or checking permission slip forms.
- Adults are responsible for monitoring the behavior of their Sea Scouts.
- Sea Scouts should act like Scouts ("A Scout is courteous") and leave all areas better than they find them.
- The US Coast Guard Yard is an active military base, and all visitors should act accordingly.
- Registration must include the names of all participating persons for security purposes.
- Firearms are prohibited on the station. Special circumstances need to be coordinated in advance.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Unit type (ship/crew?) _____ Unit No. _____ Council _____

Name of adult in charge of the unit's youth during the event: _____
 (List this individual again in the roster below)

Adult's phone number(s): Day _____ Evening _____ Cell _____

Email address _____

ROSTER

	Last Name	First Name	Unit Position	Gender/Status MY=Male Youth FY=Female Youth MA=Male Adult FA=Female Adult	T-Shirt Size
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Special Needs Persons					

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