



THE BREAKWALL

USCGC HALIBUT (WPB-87340)
Newsletter

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CGC HALIBUT station-keeping in front of the fireworks barge in Marina Del Rey Harbor. Cover photo by: Steve Lee AUX

Greetings

Friends,

We're putting out our December newsletter early in order to get it to you before the holidays. So far this month, we've finished two large shipboard inspections. One involving our administration and finances, which we fulfilled with no discrepancies. Our other inspection was our Ready for Operations (RFO) inspection. It dealt with our abilities to keep our shipboard equipment in working order, and how well we are able to complete our required drills involving damage control, navigation, and other shipboard emergencies. We passed both with flying colors! Also this month, HALIBUT participated in the Marina Del Rey Holiday Boat Parade as the lead vessel. Lastly, I had the privilege to compete on Wheel of Fortune's Heroes week that aired Dec 16th. It was a great experience! Have a look inside and enjoy!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS,
LTJG Charles Paris
Commanding Officer



It's a blurry image, but we captured it on camera. This is the elusive Green Flash in case you've never seen it.



USCG AUX District CAPT elect Trent Kelly discusses interagency partnerships with Deputy Gordon Macy, LA County Sheriff's Dept.



Giving a shout out to the HALIBUT and my hometown of East Tawakoni, Texas.



HALIBUT Morale



CGC HALIBUT'S Morale Fund contributes directly to the Morale, Wellness, and Recreation (MWR) of the crew. Unit ball caps and T-Shirt sales contribute directly to this fund. If anyone is interested in supporting the morale program with either a private donation or through hat/t-shirt sales, please contact:

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I made it to the Bonus Round!

Ready for Operations Inspection



Abandon Ship Drill

Ocean Sunset



Mustang Suit Inspection



Flooding in the Galley!

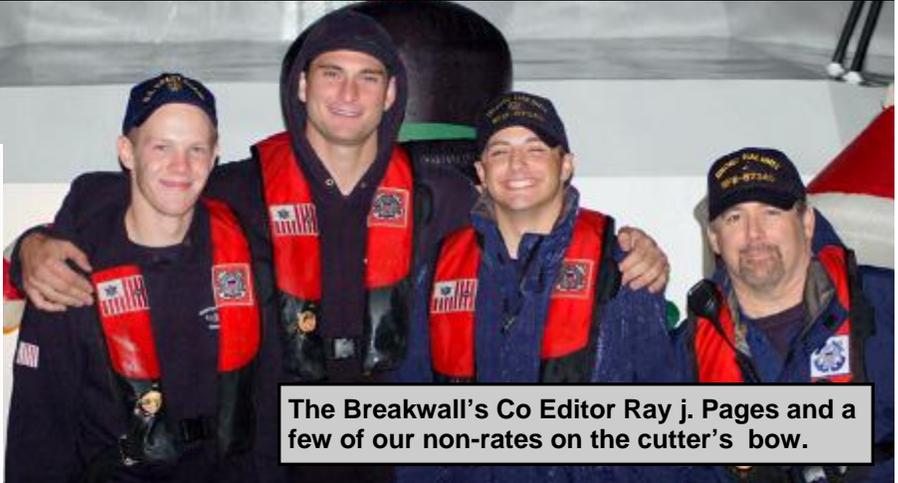


MK2 Lirette, our on-scene leader for drills, directs the crew in damage control.



CGC HALIBUT participated in the annual Marina Del Rey Holiday Boat Parade this year on Dec. 12th. There was a spectacular fireworks show followed by a parade of lighted boats around the harbor. There were many impressive displays.

MDR Boat Parade



The Breakwall's Co Editor Ray j. Pages and a few of our non-rates on the cutter's bow.



The HALIBUT bridge at night is another an impressive display of lights.



Photos by USCG AUX Photographers: Ray j. Pages, Steve Lee & Jonathan Smaby.



FS2's Recipe of the Month

Cooking the Coast Guard Way

Holiday Wreath Cookies

What you will need:

1 (16 ounce) package large marshmallows

1/2 cup butter, softened

1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1 1/2 teaspoons green food coloring

1 Package of either Red Hots or Christmas M&M's



Directions

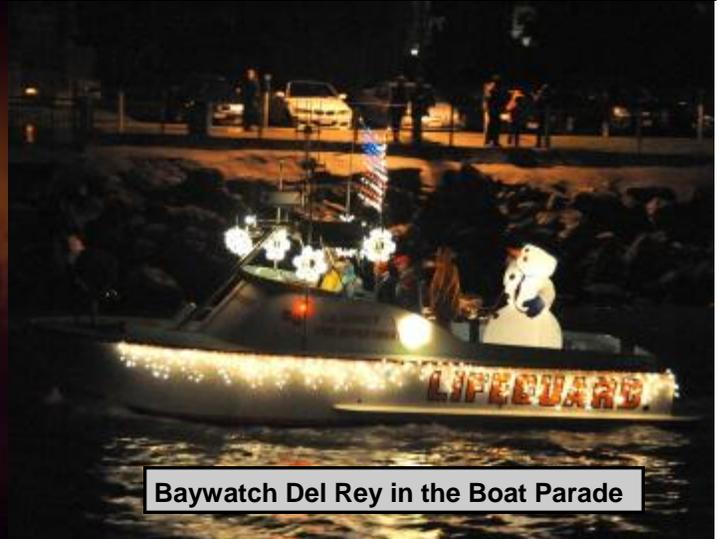
1. In a saucepan over low heat, melt together the marshmallows, butter, vanilla, and food coloring. Mix in the cornflakes cereal.



2. Drop by spoonfuls on wax paper, and decorate with red hots. Set aside, and allow to cool.



Running our portable dewatering pump for our RFO inspection.



Baywatch Del Rey in the Boat Parade



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