

Aurora Borealis Branch

Commissioned Officers Association

United States Public Health Service

Agenda

Date: November 30, 2016

Place: ANMC Conference Room #2

Time: 1200-1300

**Conference Line: 1 (877) 446-3914 / Passcode: 218341**

I.       Call to Order LCDR Adam Harris

A. Introduction of meeting attendees

II.      Approval of Minutes (Oct) LCDR Adam Harris

III. Uniform Committee CDR Arlene Patuc

LCDR Anastasia Hansen

* Winter Weather Uniform Components- Fashion Show

IV.     Treasurer’s Report CDR Rebecca Pollis

IV.     Reports of Standing Committees

A. Officer Development Forum LT Alyssa Givens

B. Publications CDR Anne Marie Bott

* “Aurora Borealis Branch (AK) Hosts its First Annual Promotion Ceremony” article was published in the November 2016 *Frontline* edition on page 10.
* Please let CDR Anne Marie Bott ([ambott@anthc.org](mailto:ambott@anthc.org)) know of any topics you’d like to have written for the *Frontline* or if you’d like support writing an article for publication.

C. Membership LCDR Praveen K.C.

1.) 199 Active Members

2.) Membership Drive

* Awards
  + Process

3.) COA Group Email

D. Website CDR Daniel Mendez

* + No Report

E. Readiness Advocacy Team (RATS) LCDR Sara Low LT Kristin Allmaras

* No Report

F. PHS Athletics CDR Brittany Keener

CDR Anne Marie Bott CDR Aimee Young

* PHS Athletics Events for November and December:
* Anchorage, AK

**Description:** Join us for the Skinny Raven Turkey Trot on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day on November 24th at 11:00 am! All officers, family and friends are invited to start the holiday in a thankful manner with a little exercise showing USPHS visibility, and making a charitable donation for the Food Bank of Alaska. The race is a 5K loop and starts and ends indoors at the Dena’ina Center.

**Event Leader**: CAPT Mary O’Connor ([maryboconnor@hotmail.com](mailto:maryboconnor@hotmail.com))

**Who**: Everyone is invited! Feel free to invite friends and family to join us.

**Where**: Dena’ina Convention Center, Downtown Anchorage, AK

**When:** 11:00 am, November 24, 2016

**Event Registration & Website:** <http://skinnyraven.com/races/turkey-trot/>

* Anchorage AK

**Description**:  Join the PHS Alaska Athletics Team for the Arthritis Foundation’s Jingle Bell Run. This is a holiday-themed 5K race to raise money to conquer arthritis.  When registering please join the USPHS Alaska Athletics Team.

**Event Leaders**:  CDR Anne Marie Bott ([ambott@anthc.org](mailto:ambott@anthc.org)) or CDR Judy Thompson ([JBThompson@anthc.org](mailto:JBThompson@anthc.org))

**Who:**  Public Health Service Alaska Athletics Team

**When**: Saturday, December 10, 2016

**Where**: University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) Student Union

**What**: Arthritis Foundation’s Jingle Bell Run

**Website**:<http://www.jbr.org/faf/home/>

* [Anchorage AK](http://www.princewilliamhalf.com/)

**Description:** Welcome to the final Anchorage race of 2016. Run and dance yourself into 2017. Music, lights, and an awesome course will ring in the New Year! This run will feature 5 unique light and music experiences out on course for nearly 5K of fun through the woods trails and APU Campus. Start and end with a party at the Atwood Center.

**Event Leader:** CDR Aimee Young ([alyoung@anthc.org](mailto:alyoung@anthc.org))

**Who**: PHS Athletics Team

**When**: Saturday December 31st, 2016

**Where**: Atwood Center on the Alaska Pacific University Campus

**What**: Northern Lights Resolution Run 5K

**Website**:<http://skinnyraven.com/races/northern-lights-resolution-run/>

* San Francisco, CA

**Description**:  The APhA Foundation Women in Pharmacy 5K Fun Run/Walk is the go-to event to get active and keep energy levels high during the American Pharmacist Association Annual Meeting! Join your PHS colleagues from across the country for this PHS Athletics Event!

**Event Leaders**:  CDR Brittany Keener ([blkeener@anthc.org](mailto:blkeener@anthc.org)) and CDR Aimee Young ([alyoung@anthc.org](mailto:alyoung@anthc.org))

**Who:**  Public Health Service Athletics Team

**When**: Sunday March 26, 2017 6:00am

**Where**: In conjunction with the American Pharmacist Association (APhA) Annual Meeting San Francisco, CA

**What**: APhA Foundation Women in Pharmacy 5K Fun Run

**Website**:  <http://aphameeting.pharmacist.com/>

* Anchorage, AK

**Description:** Join us for one of the largest all-women runs in the country! The Alaska Run for Women aims to raise money for and awareness of breast cancer and women’s health, and to showcase the talents of Alaska’s women athletes. This is accomplished through: an annual women's run/walk event that serves as a vehicle for fundraising, participation, awareness and competition, and grant making to organizations concerned with breast cancer research, education, outreach, prevention and early detection.

**Event Leader:** CDR Brittany Keener [blkeener@anthc.org](mailto:blkeener@anthc.org)

**When:** Saturday, June 10, 2017

**What:** Alaska Run for Women: 5 mile timed run, 5 mile party-wave untimed run/walk

**Team:** USPHS Athletics

**Where:** Anchorage, Alaska

**Website (registration):**<http://www.akrfw.org/register/registration-info>

**Website (race website):**<http://www.akrfw.org/index>

G. Promotion/ Retirement Ceremony CDR Aimee Young

CDR Brittany Keener

* Planning for the 2017 Promotion Ceremony will begin after the New Year. Stay tuned for a call for volunteers!

H. Community Outreach LCDR Darrel Acheson

* Inform members that they will be receiving an upcoming email regarding current volunteer and community involvement.
* Provide specific information on current involvement/volunteer work
* Provide specific and detailed contact information regarding the activity/volunteer work
* Give a brief summary of what the volunteer work entails
* Explain the overall goal/mission
* Explain what the charity/organization ultimately represents/stands for
* Provide any underlying organizational affiliation/ties
* State whether it is "non-profit" or "for profit"

1.) Special Olympics CDR Christina Eldridge

LCDR Anne Arceo

* Bowling Tournament was last weekend, 11/18-20
* 16 officers served breakfast and dinner
* Next tournament will be in March

2.) AWAIC LT Kimberly Smith

**1. AWAIC Donation Task Force- Lead LT Kimberly Smith**

* 3 officers volunteered and 1 family member over 18 yrs old
* 10 bags sorted and children’s nursery was organized
* Next event December 10 & December 18th 9-11 am, please sign up by selecting this link <https://www.volunteersignup.org/RF3J3>. Dates are added every month.

**2. AWAIC Silent Night Starry Nights Gala**

* 5 officers and 1 ANTHC-DEHE employee sold raffle ticket packages
* Raised $210,000
* Next Gala will be in October or November 2017

3.) Bone Marrow Transplant Drive CDR Anne Marie Bott

4.) Alaska State Science and Engineering Fair CAPT Mike MarcAurele

5.) Mission of Mercy CDR Nancy Tone

LCDR Honeylit Cueco

6.) Health Occupations Student Association leadership LCDR Molly Rutledge Competitions

* Judge recruitment for the 2017 HOSA state conference will begin in January 2017.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business LCDR Adam Harris

A. Updates from the Executive Committee Meeting

1. February Social Event

2. Social Media

3. Survey Summaries

4. Logo

5. Officer of the Month

6. December meeting

VII. Announcements / Updates / Discussions LCDR Adam Harris