

## Chairman's Message

Dear Boston Chapter Member,



Happy New Year and best wishes from the Boston Chapter Board for a healthy, safe and successful 2009!

On behalf of the entire 2009 Chapter leadership, welcome to an exciting year. While two of our 2009 officers are new to the leadership slate, they certainly aren't new faces in the Chapter. I am very excited and grateful to have Dick Parry and Jennifer Goba as Vice-Chair and Secretary respectively. It is equally gratifying as well as comforting to have Jim Healey returning to watch our money as Chapter Treasurer. Our leadership team is rounded out by a stellar slate of committee chairs and volunteers, and can be found listed on our web site <http://www.asis-boston.org>.

I'd like to thank Phil Stewart and the entire 2008 leadership for guiding us through a jam-packed year as we celebrated the Chapters 50th anniversary, culminating with a first-class gala event in October. The Chapter owes a huge thanks to a very hardworking 50th Anniversary Committee led by long time members and industry icons Bonnie Michelman, Ray Humphrey, Dick Barry and Jack O'Neill. I won't try to list the entire committee because I'm sure I'll forget someone, but I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the continuing hard work of David Spector. David's leadership is seen in most, if not all, of the Chapter's event literature and mailings including last year's gala event and several Expos.

Speaking of Expo, mark your calendars now to attend Security Expo/2009: *Optimizing Security Success During Turbulent Times*. We return to the Holiday Inn, Boxborough to see the latest in technology and services from our dedicated vendors and to hear one of the best speaker line-ups yet.

Our first meeting of the year on January 22 will take us to the U.S. Coast Guard where Captain Gail Kulisch will speak on Port Security, an important topic to all of us in Boston. Be sure to arrive early for a tour of the Command Center. This is a "not to be missed" meeting.

We can always use more volunteers. I close my first message of the year by repeating the message I sent in a September email on volunteerism.

*"The success of our chapter next year and beyond depends on members willing to step up and give back to the profession from which they earn their living. I am sure that every one of you is feeling the budget crunch at work and being asked to take on more responsibility, leaving less time for other endeavors. Every one of you has personal commitments to family and community. Maybe your load will lighten in a year or two and you can consider serving then. But we need you NOW! Now is never a good time, I'm sure. It is an excuse I have used many times before myself while believing that out of 900 chapter members surely they will find someone else. But who is that someone else?"*

That elusive person "Someone Else" never seems to be around. As Steve Millwee told me over lunch a few short weeks before I wrote that message, "if not you, then who?"

Stay Safe!

Craig McQuate, CPP



Chairman

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## Upcoming National Events

|                 |   |                   |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| 1/28/09         | Guns at Work: When Security Policies Collide with the 2nd Amendment | Webinar           |
| 2/2/09-2/6/09   | Wharton/ASIS Program for Security Executives                        | Philadelphia, PA  |
| 2/3/09-2/5/09   | 3rd Annual Asia-Pacific Conference                                  | Hong Kong, China  |
| 2/6/09-2/7/09   | Certified Protection Professional (CPP) Review                      | Alexandria, VA    |
| 2/9/09-2/12/09  | Crisis Management: Introduction to the Response Plan                | Redondo Beach, CA |
| 2/23/09-2/27/09 | Physical Security   | Alexandria, VA    |
| 2/25/09         | Cracking the Personality Code Hire Right the First Time             | Webinar           |

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## Upcoming Local Events

|                   |                          |                  |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| January 22, 2009  | Dinner Meeting *         | USCG ISC, Boston |
| February 19, 2009 | Luncheon                 | Newton Sheraton  |
| March 19, 2009    | Dinner Meeting with IAHS | TBA              |
| April 8, 2009     | ASIS Expo                | Boxborough, MA   |
| May 21, 2009      | Dinner Meeting           | TBA              |

**\*January Meeting – Join us on January 22, 2009 at the USCG ISC, 427 Commercial Street, Boston, MA for an outstanding presentation on Port Security by Gail Kulish. Starting at 5pm, there will be two tours (15 each) of the Command Center and small boat area. These tours will be conducted on a first come, first serve basis.**

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## Outgoing Chairman's Message



As I review the past year as Chapter Chairman, I am truly proud of what a great year the Boston Chapter experienced and the privilege of being Chairman during our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It is gratifying to see that new membership has increased and historically non-active members have renewed their commitment and participation. The 2008 Expo broke attendance records and our 50<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary Gala was attended by over 250 members and guests, a superb reflection on the work that has been completed over the years. I would like to take the opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to my executive board members; Craig McQuate, Jim Healy, and Tom Smith. I congratulate the new executive board, Craig McQuate, Chair; Dick Parry, Vice-Chair; Jim Healy, Treasurer; and Jennifer Goba, Secretary. I know that each of these individuals will do extraordinary work, and will make the chapter's success their utmost priority. In addition to the executive board, this chapter would not be successful without the numerous members of our volunteer committee, their dedication and efforts are integral to the Chapter's longevity and success. My thanks to all. With the changing of the executive board, I encourage all members to participate and volunteer for our many positions.

I wish each and every one of you much success and happiness throughout the New Year.

*Phil Stewart*

Phil Stewart



### Monthly Spotlight

To celebrate our members, the Security Beacon would like to include a column to highlight an active member of the Boston Chapter. Please send all nominations to Jennifer Goba at [jgoba@partners.org](mailto:jgoba@partners.org) or contact at 617-724-3036

## Treasurer's Report: December 2008

### OPERATING ACCOUNT

**STARTING** .....\$34,217.84

#### INCOME

Meeting .....\$300.00

50th Anniversary .....\$5,526.36

**TOTAL INCOME** .....\$5,826.36

#### EXPENSES

50th Anniversary .....\$1,298.13

Web Expense .....\$244.45

Photography .....\$325.00

Bank Charges .....\$25.73

Meeting Expense .....\$264.90

EXPO Expense .....\$260.39

**TOTAL EXPENSES** .....\$2,418.60

**ENDING BALANCE** .....\$37,625.60

### INTERNET CHECKING ACCOUNT

Starting Balance .....\$600.00

Transfers In .....

Expenses .....\$168.16

**ENDING BALANCE** .....\$431.84

### MANNING FUND

Starting Balance .....\$1,539.51

Interest .....\$0.46

Bank Service Charge .....\$5.00

**Ending Balance** .....\$1,534.97

### GOODMAN ACCOUNT

Starting Balance .....\$8,736.37

Interest .....\$7.40

**ENDING BALANCE** .....\$8,743.77

### Citizens Investment Services Account

Starting Balance .....\$26,704.41

Change in Value .....\$851.11

**ENDING BALANCE** .....\$27,555.52

## January 22, 2009 Guest Speaker Captain Gail P. Kulisch Sector Commander - Boston



Captain Kulisch has a combined background in Coast Guard Operations and Marine Safety with a specialization in incident management and response. She entered the service aboard the Coast Guard Cutter SHERMAN serving as the 378 foot vessel's Navigator, and as a Boarding Officer and Deck Watch Officer. Other afloat tours have included Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Cutter CAPE CROSS, where she led law enforcement and search rescue and operations in both Crescent City, California and the Eastern Hawaiian Islands; and Executive and Officer of the Coast Guard Cutter BUTTONWOOD, a 180 foot seagoing buoy tender homeported in San Francisco, CA.

Captain Kulisch's Marine Safety assignments have included tours at the Marine Safety Office/Group Los Angeles-Long Beach and the Marine Safety Office/Group Philadelphia. She was also assigned to the Marine Industry program and supported the Maritime Exchange for the Delaware Bay and River in Philadelphia. In 1989, she served as a member of the Federal On-Scene Coordinator's staff to the EXXON VALDEZ oil spill recovery operation.

From 2000-2003, Captain Kulisch served as the Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard's Atlantic Strike Team/National Strike Force responsible for incident management and specialized hazardous materials and oil spill response support from Maine to North Carolina and inland to Nebraska, including the Great Lakes. Most notably, she served as the Deputy Incident Commander for the 2001 Capitol Hill Anthrax response operation, and played key leadership roles throughout the 11- month National Strike Force support for response and recovery operations in New York City following the World Trade Center terrorist attack. Her leadership and ability to manage change in the post-911 response environment influenced both regional and national policy during a challenging time for our nation.

Previous assignments also include service as the Military Assistant to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (2004 - 2006). Captain Kulisch also served as a Program Reviewer for Operations, Navigation, International Affairs, and Boating Safety in the Office of Programs and Budget at Coast Guard Headquarters.

Captain Kulisch is a 2002-2003 Harvard National Security Fellow from the Kennedy School of Government. Most recently, she served on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) as a Senior Fellow for the 2006-2007 CNO's Strategic Study Group in Newport, Rhode Island.

She is a 1983 graduate of Holy Cross College (B.A. in Chemistry) and earned a Masters of Science in Chemical Engineering from UCLA in 1990. She is a 1984 graduate of Officer Candidate School and is a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM), a designated Marine Safety Professional, and a designated Cutterman. Captain Kulisch is a 20-year member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary having served as an Auxiliary Coxswain, Instructor, and Vessel Safety Examiner. Her military decorations include two Legion of Merits, the Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, the Coast Guard 9-11 Medal, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, and several individual and unit awards.



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## Safe Port Act From the Library of Congress

### SUMMARY AS OF:

10/13/2006–Public Law.

(This measure has not been amended since the Conference Report was filed in the House on September 29, 2006. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Security and Accountability For Every Port Act of 2006 or the SAFE Port Act – Title I: Security of United States Seaports – Subtitle A: General Provisions – (Sec. 101) Amends the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (MTSA) to require area maritime transportation security plans to include a salvage response plan to identify equipment capable of restoring operational trade capacity and to ensure that waterways are cleared as quickly as possible after a maritime transportation security incident (defined as a security incident resulting in significant loss of life, environmental damage, transportation system disruption, or economic disruption in a particular area).

(Sec. 102) Requires vessel and security plans under MTSA to regulate access by persons (including drayage companies) engaged in the surface transportation of intermodal containers in or out of a facility (i.e., a structure or facility of any kind located in, on, under, or adjacent to any waters subject to U.S. jurisdiction). Requires the submission of a new vessel and security plan after a change of ownership or operation of a facility.

Requires U.S. citizenship for individuals implementing security actions for a facility, but allows a waiver of such requirement after a complete background check and review of terrorist watch lists.

(Sec. 103) Requires the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) to verify, at least twice annually, the effectiveness of a vessel and facility security plan, with at least one of the inspections to be unannounced.

(Sec. 104) Imposes additional requirements under MTSA for issuing transportation security cards, including requiring the Secretary to: (1) establish a priority for each U.S. port based on risk; (2) implement the transportation security card program at all U.S. ports not later than January 1, 2009; and (3) process all applications for transportation security cards for individuals with current and valid merchant mariners' documents by January 1, 2009.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) conduct a pilot program to test transportation security card readers at secure areas of the marine transportation system; (2) issue regulations to require the deployment of such card readers; (3) make a comprehensive report to Congress on the pilot program; and (4) promulgate final regulations for issuing such cards by January 1, 2007.

(Sec. 105) Directs the Comptroller General to study and report to Congress on redundancies and inefficiencies in connection with background records checks for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

(Sec. 106) Requires the Secretary to disqualify any individual found guilty (or not guilty by reason of insanity) of a felony involving treason, espionage, sedition, or any crime of terrorism (including a conspiracy to commit such crimes) from applying for a transportation security card.


(Sec. 107) Establishes a deadline of April 1, 2007, for the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating (department Secretary) to implement a long-range vessel tracking system. Authorizes the Secretary to issue regulations to establish a voluntary long-range automated vessel tracking system prior to the issuance of final regulations for such system.

(Sec. 108) Directs the department Secretary to establish interagency operational centers for port security at all high-risk priority ports not later than three years after enactment of this Act. Describes required characteristics. Designates the Coast Guard Captain of the Port in an operational center as the incident commander in the event of a transportation security incident. Requires the Secretary to submit to Congress a budget and cost-sharing analysis for such operational centers.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2007-FY2012.

(Sec. 109) Directs the department Secretary, not later than 180 days after enactment, to update and finalize the rulemaking on notice of arrival for foreign vessels on the Outer Continental Shelf.

(Sec. 110) Establishes a deadline of one year after enactment for implementation of identification requirements for crewmembers on vessels calling at U.S. ports.



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## FBI E-Scam and Warning Updates by Jennifer Goba, CPP



According to the FBI, consumers have been receiving spam allegedly from the FBI. This spam version uses the names of several high ranking executives within the FBI and even the Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) in their attempts to defraud people.

One of the emails claims to be an “official order” from the FBI’s Anti-Terrorist and Monetary Crimes Division, from an FBI unit in Nigeria. The email “confirms” an inheritance or contains a lottery notification informing the recipient that they have been named the beneficiary. The email further state that the recipient needs to furnish their per-

sonally identifiable information (PII) and threatens some type of penalty, such as prosecution, if the recipient fails to comply. Specific information requested includes; name, banking, information, telephone number, and a copy of the recipient’s passport.

The spam email supposedly from the IC3 states that the recipient has extorted money and if the funds are not refunded in a narrow time frame, prosecution will occur.

These emails are pure hoax. The FBI does not send unsolicited e-mails on this nature, and while FBI executives are briefed on numerous investigations, they do not personally contact consumers regarding these matters.

The FBI states that consumers should not respond to any unsolicited e-mails or click on any embedded links associated with the email as they may contain viruses or malware. As always, protect your PII to deter compromising your identity. On 12/09/08, the FBI received infor-

mation concerning a brand new technique used to conduct vishing attacks. According to the FBI’s website, the newest attacks were done by hackers exploiting vulnerability in Asterik software. Earlier versions of the Asterik software can be exploited by cyber criminals and used as an auto dialer, generating thousands of vishing telephone calls to consumers within an hour.

This vulnerability is a known one. In March 2008, Digium released a Security Advisory, AST-2008-003, which contains the information necessary for users to configure a system, patch the software, or upgrade the software to protect against the vulnerability. Failure to correct the vulnerability will lead to compromised PII. The FBI urges all businesses that use Asterik ensure they upgrade the software to a version that no longer has the vulnerability.

If you have been a complaint of Internet crime, file a complaint at [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov)

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