

# Anchor Line

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## FC Greeting

Welcome to 2018. After an initial hesitation due to our January meeting cancellation as directed for the Federal Government shutdown we are picking up a month later. Although we were not able to hold our January meeting as scheduled our February meeting, this Saturday (Feb 24) will allow us to catch-up and begin detailed planning.

Like every year we start a new beginning with a new mix of elected and appointed officers, a celebration of the past year and looking forward to the next. even though some are continuing to serve in previous positions. But the formal recognition of the previous year, the new election and appointments and the seasonal break from the previous activity and training schedules makes this the beginning of new year, new schedules, opportunities and goals. Those officers who were unable to attend the Change of Watch will be recognized Saturday.

It is my honor to be able to serve a second year as your Flotilla Commander, and I look forward to a year where all members can achieve your personal goals and enjoy your time spent learning, educating, representing the CG and CG Auxiliary and your time on

the water enjoying beautiful Lake Hartwell.

Bruce Lindsey, Flotilla Commander



## Introduction

As we enter 2018 it is our goal to provide our Flotilla newsletter, Anchor Line quarterly to keep everybody informed of Flotilla goals and accomplishments, but most important what will be coming up in the next three months, and looking farther ahead for the rest of the year.

Although in the past, and many new members may not be familiar with the excellent newsletters by former FC Glenn Barbee and more recently by Jerry Consie. Although this issue is fairly small, it is our goal to have staff participation in future issues, with a brief synopsis on activities and plans in each area.



Flotilla 25 Change of Watch  
FC Lindsey and VFC Williams  
Sworn in by CG Sector Charleston Auxiliary  
Liaison Officer, LTJG Young

Flotilla 25 Serving  
Lake Hartwell



# 29th Change of Watch and Holiday Dinner



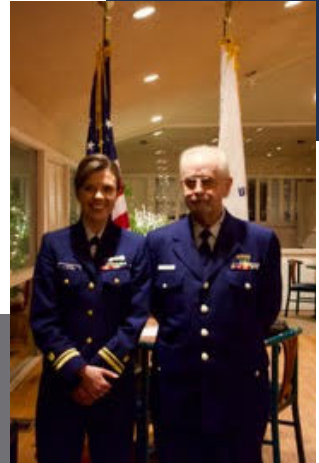
Dan Wilson, FSO-MS



Change of Watch - Head Table  
Pat Lindsey, FC Lindsey, LTJG Young,  
VCDR-2 McMenamin, VFC Williams, FSO-IS Williams



FC Lindsey, IPFC, FSO-CM, FSO-OP, FSO-VE, Mracna,  
FSO-IS Williams, FSO-HR Cole, VFC Williams,  
FSO-MS Wilson, FSO-PB Bongiorno



LTJG Young, VCDR-2 McMenamin



Flotilla members and Distinguished Guests



Scott Lusk, Army Corps of Engineers presenting  
certificate of appreciation to FC Lindsey

## Upstate SC Boat Show

Our thanks to the 16 FL 25 members, and CG Academy Admissions Partner Glenn Stafford for assistance manning the Flotilla 25 booth over the 4-day event. The booth was located in the normal line-up of marine and other vendors, giving good traffic and visibility. Virtually every boat show attendee passed by the booth at least once. FSO-MA Ronnie Merritt set the booth up in his traditional 'L' formation with children's information at the front and requiring adults to come into the booth for the serious boating safety (and CG Auxiliary) information. Many did, with 17 signing up for PE class info, Vessel Safety Checks, Membership information or a combination of the 3. Inquiries also included assistance on Lakes Greenwood and Murray, with information on those passed on to FL 12-3 at Lake Murray.

As a result of their Boat Show visits two new member applications have been completed and are being forwarded, with a third possibility.

## Celebrating 30 Years

Flotilla 25 charter turns 30 on January 30, 2018. Providing recreational boating safety, vessel safety checks, marine education, safety patrols, aids for navigation and other services supporting the Coast Guard for 30 years.



Underway Anderson County Green Pond launch dock.



FSO-MT Pruszenski completing his Coxswain qualification.

## 2018 Flotilla 25 Staff Officers

<u>Staff Symbol</u>	<u>Officer Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
FC	Bruce Lindsey	Flotilla Commander
VFC	Randy Williams	Flotilla Vice Commander
IPFC	Joe Mracna	Immediate Past Flotilla Commander
FSO-CM	Joe Mracna	Communications
FSO-CS	Daryl Lee	Communication Services
FSO-DV	Hershel Waldrop	Diversity
FSO-FN	Joe LaPak	Finance
FSO-HR	Larry Cole	Human Resources
FSO-IS	Valerie Williams	Information Services
FSO-MA	Ronnie Merritt	Materials
FSO-MS	Dan Wilson	Marine Safety
FSO-MT	Keat Pruszenski	Member Training
FSO-NS	Keat Pruszenski	Navigation Systems
FSO-OP	Joe Mracna	Operations
FSO-PA	Bruce Lindsey	Public Affairs
FSO-PB	Cath Bongiorno	Publications
FSO-PE	Randy Williams	Public Education
FSO-PV	J. Steven Siske	RBS Program Visitor
FSO-SR	Vacant	Secretary of Records
FSO-VE	Joe Mracna	Vessel Examinations

## Flotilla Meeting Schedule/Activities

Jan 20 **Cancelled due to Government shutdown**

Jan 25-28 Upstate Boat Show

Feb 24

Mar 24

Apr 28

May 26

May 20 – 26 National Safe Boating Week

Jun 23

Jul 28

Aug 25

Sep 22

Oct 27

Nov 17 (Thanksgiving Nov 22)

Dec 8 Change of Watch