

November 2024



Lake Wylie Flotilla 26-02

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Introducing our Newest Member

Kadijah Reams
054-16-01 (Elizabeth City)

My name is Kadijah Reams, and I am originally from New Jersey. I am genuinely excited to join this team and support the mission of the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

With a Bachelor of Science in Aviation, concentrating in Aviation Management, I have developed a strong foundation in organization and leadership. In addition, I hold certifications as a Certified Nursing Assistant, Medication Aide, and in Public Affairs, alongside a range of FEMA and Auxiliary courses, including all five Leadership Competencies, AUXCOM, and the Bloodborne Pathogens course. My diverse background has cultivated in me a deep respect and appreciation for multicultural perspectives, though I speak only English.

I am passionate about learning and dedicated to continuous growth, both personally and professionally. While I haven't yet traveled internationally, exploring other cultures is a personal dream. I find great joy in contributing to a cause larger than myself and look forward to making a meaningful impact through my involvement with the Auxiliary. I am eager to get to know everyone and to support our collective goals.

Thank you for the warm welcome to Flotilla 054-26-02.

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Calendar of Events

- **November 21 and December 5** -- Reminder - anyone interested in taking the **AUXDATA tutorial** contact Mark Briggs for ZOOM access information. Class starts at 1900.
- **December 9 – Change of Watch**. Our Change of Watch (COW) this year is scheduled at the Tega Cay Shore Club, 15081 Molokai Drive, Tega Cay, South Carolina 29708. Choice of menu selections, cost and other details were announced at the November meeting.
- **January 13, 2025 -- Fotilla Meeting**, Cabela's, Ft. Mill, SC. 1900-2100.
- **February 6-9, 2025 – The Mid-Atlantic Boat Show** is again coming to the Charlotte Convention Center, 501 South College Street. Division 26 will have a booth for this event. If interested in volunteering your time to man our booth, contact Beverly Butlin or Mark Briggs for date and hours available.

Announcements

Assignment to Duty (ATD) - Remember - Do not forget to notify the FC or VFC of any Auxiliary travel, on-the-water patrols, SARS, etc. In most cases, a verbal or email **Assignment to Duty** is sufficient , but would suggest email.

FSO-AS Vacancy. We still have an opening for the Scourting Staff Officer position. If interested, contact Mark Briggs or Beverly Butlin for details.

Member Accountability. During Hurricane Season (Jun 1 - Nov 30), please respond to this message when received.

Annual Uniform Inspections have been implemented.

Final Under-Way Training. For the remainder of this year's boating season, ending November 30, contact Rick for more information on scheduling dates and times. This is our last chance this year for those needing on water time to avoid REYR.

Report Your Hours

And finally, don't forget to **enter, save** and **submit** your Auxiliary hours and mileage for **October** into AUXDATA.

Thank you

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(Always Prepared)

