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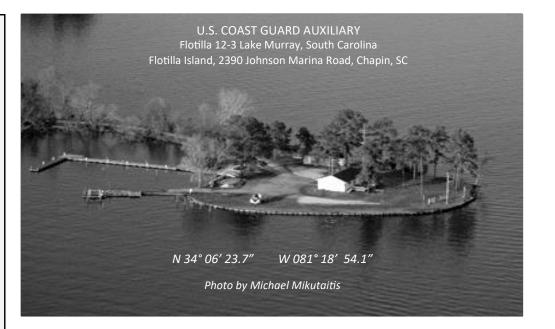
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- 4/03 VSC Event (Fort Jackson)
- 4/07 Division 12 Quarterly meeting
- 4/12 VSC Event
- 4/14 River Winds Marina Spring Event
- 417 Fort Jackson Safety Stand-down
- 4/26 Flotilla Meeting
- 4/28 ABS Class
- 5/18 Wear your Life Jacket to Work Day
- 5/19 Ready, Set, Wear It campaign
- 5/19 ABS Class
- 5/19 USCG Sector Charleston Open House
- 5/19-25 National Safe Boating Week
- 5/31 Flotilla Meeting
- 6/09 Sea Cadets Great Portage Race Dreher Island
- 6/09 National Marina Day
- 6/23 CG Auxiliary Anniversary
- 6/28 Flotilla Meeting
- 7/07 Division 12 Quarterly meeting
- 7/18 4H2O Water Camp
- 7/26 Flotilla Meeting
- 7/28 Lake Day
- 8/23-26 National Convention (NACON) at Orlando8/30 Flotilla Meeting
- 9/08 Lake Murray Swim for Drew
- 9/13-16 District 7 Training & Conference (DTRAIN) at Daytona
- 9/27 Flotilla Meeting
- 9/29 Lake Murray Paddle Classic



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1st Quarter 2018

### THE FIRST QUARTER

It has been a fast and furious 1st quarter. Flotilla 12-3 started the year with a potluck and we hope to it again this year. There are many opportunities for Auxiliarists to participate in flotillas activities, and some are shown on the calendar. Raise your hand to join a committee or team. A hearty Welcome Aboard to new members David Pavlakovich and Ken Johnson.

In February, we participated in the Columbia Boat Show as a guest of Lake Murray Association. The Flotilla is truly grateful to participate in the boat show and for the opportunity to partner with the Lake Murray Association. The 2018 Operations Workshop and annual Team Coordination Training refresher class was held at the Lexington Public Library, with 100% participation of qualified surface operations members. Two surface patrols were conducted in the first quarter, despite the poor weather and a government hiatus. One patrol included assisting a disabled vessel with two very appreciative passengers aboard.

Several flotilla members staffed our boating safety booth at the Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic March 23 - 25. This huge event resulted in direct Auxiliary contact with hundreds of people to promote our boating safety classes, vessel safety checks and Auxiliary recruitment.

Also in March, West Marine celebrated their Grand Opening of their new location. They invited us to have a boating safety and information table, where we fielded questions about joining the Auxiliary and promoted our About Boating Safely class on March 24. Three members qualified in Auxiliary Food Service and three members qualified as Telecommunications Operators in February.



The beautiful Flotilla 12-3 booth at PSC. Photo by Linda Warren, FSO-PA.

This year's goal is to conduct five public education classes. The first ABS class of five classes was held at ECPI University, supported by four instructors, and was a big success with 15 students passing the exam. Two additional all-day Saturday ABS classes at ECPI University are scheduled for April 28 and May 19, the start of National Safe Boating Week.

If you have anything you wish to see in the newsletter please, submit them to Clay Goodwin.



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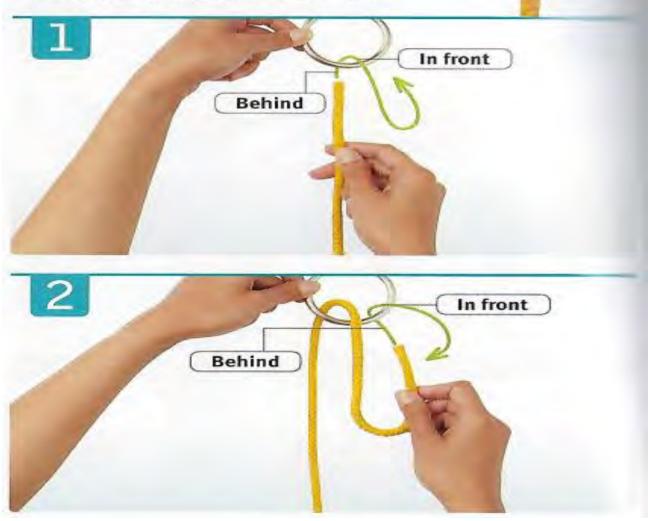




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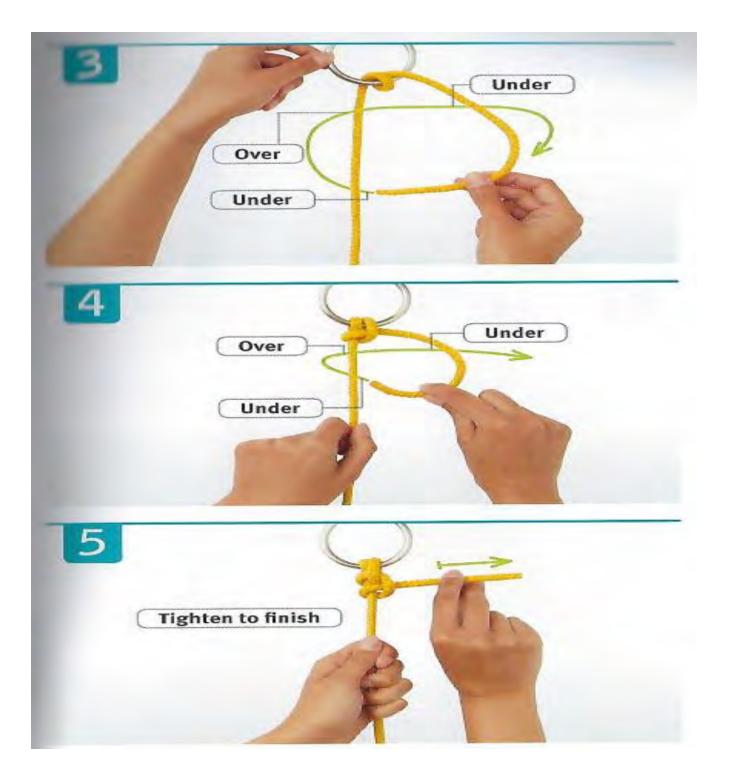
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