

COMMANDER LETTER

MARCH 2024

Greetings!

Boating season has begun! Our maiden Adventure Cruise of the year, the Lost Lunch Cruise was held on March 13. See the details of the Cruise in the article by Bob Newbert in this issue of the Ocean Breeze. I will lead the first Magellan Cruise of the year on April 12 around Bull Island. We will cruise up the May River to Bull Creek past Bull Island to the Cooper River.

The next Adventure Cruise on the schedule is the overnight cruise to beautiful Charleston. I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to cruise up the ICW to Charleston. Our complete cruise schedules for the remainder of the year are listed under "Activities" at www.abchh.org.

Our second dinner meeting of the year was held at The Golf Club at Indigo Run on February 27. We had 90 people in attendance to hear our guest speaker, Jason Ryan, talk about his two books: Jackpot High Times and High Seas and his soon to be released book, "Swamp Kings", about the infamous Murdaugh family.

Our next dinner meeting is April 16 at The Golf Club at Indigo Run. Our speaker that evening will be our own Past Commander, Pete Dion. Pete will give us an overview of his cruise on the Lady D up the eastern seaboard, through the Hudson River with his final destination in Northern Michigan. I hope to see you there.

America's Boating Club Hilton Head is part of District 26 of the United States Power Squadron. District 26 is comprised of 11 clubs located throughout South Carolina and Coastal Georgia. The District 26 Spring Conference was held earlier this month in the Lake Thurmond area of South Carolina. At the conference, our Past Commander Barb Sommers was installed as the Commander of District 26 and our Past Commander Larry Tremitiere was installed as the Treasurer of District 26. Congratulations to both Barb and Larry!

Additionally, Rick Sturges, our Education Officer was presented the Carol A. McVey Award for Educational Leadership. This award is presented each year to the person in District 26 that showed “outstanding leadership in USPS Education.” Congratulations to Rick for this well-deserved honor!

I am hoping for some great weather this year and great boating. I hope to see you on the water soon!

Craig