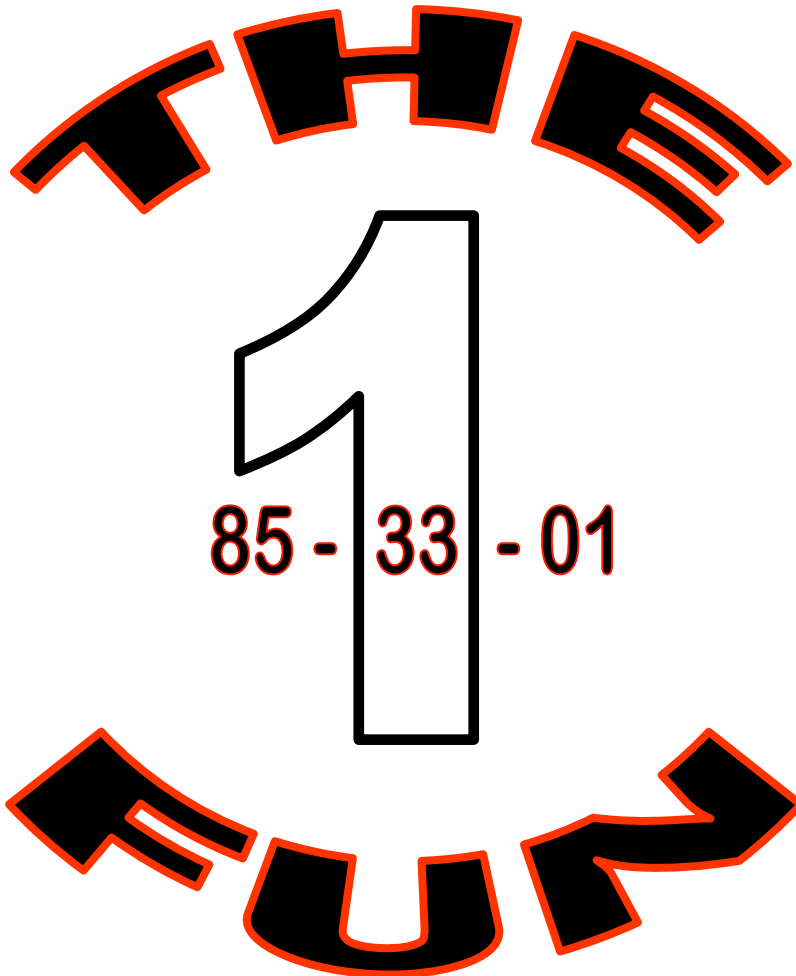


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**On Facebook we are found at:
USCGAUX Flotilla 85-33-01**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

05 March	Flotilla Meeting - James Miller's home
11 March	Daylight Saving Time Begins
17 March	St. Patrick's Day
19 March	Flotilla Meeting
01 April	Easter
04-08 April	Spring D Train
16 April	Flotilla Meeting

**See the calendars and check our website
for possible date changes**

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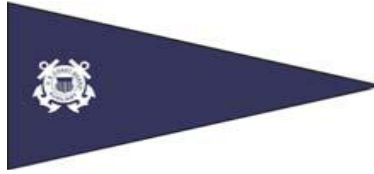
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**Want to see more pictures?
Please remember to check out the website at:
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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Commander's Note March 2018

Commander's Remarks

Shipmates,

It was necessary to postpone our February meeting due to the forecasted ice storm that was supposed to occur that evening. I am asking members to meet March 5th for a short business meeting and some fellowship time.

Recreational boating will begin soon. Recreational boating classes begin March 10th. Those individuals that are certified instructors will need to schedule some instructor time in order to ensure they retain their certification. Classes are scheduled on March 17, 31, April 14 and 28. Additional classes will be scheduled but I don't have dates at this time.

Operational events are expected to begin soon. Opportunities to meet qualification requirements should be taken seriously. Those need to partake of the operations opportunities should do so early in the year so that I do not receive REYR notices towards the end of the year. Yes, I'm being selfish in that I hate REYR notices.

After the recent hurricanes and the activation of many Coast Guard Auxiliary members it was determined that there was a lack of trained and experienced ICS 300 members. Coast Guard trained ICS 300 has become a hot topic. ICS 300 is going to be offered at D-Train. If you are able to attend D-Train it would be beneficial.

We've been informed that the 2018 OpTex will be conducted August 3 – 5 at Camp Dodge. ICS will be front and center during that training opportunity. Please put it on your calendar and plan to attend.

Until next time.

James Miller, FC
085-33-01





THE DIVERSITY MINUTE

By Jim Westcott, VFC, FSO-DV/PA

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/thesaurus/diversity>

diversity

noun

Synonyms and Antonyms of *diversity*

1 the quality or state of being composed of many different elements or types
The *diversity* of plant life on that tropical island is staggering.

Synonyms of diversity

assortment, diverseness, heterogeneity, heterogeneousness, manifoldness, miscellaneousness, multifariousness, multiplicity, variety, variousness

Words Related to diversity

disparateness, disparity, dissimilarity, distinction, distinctiveness, distinctness, otherness, unlikeness

Near Antonyms of diversity

homogeneity, homogeneousness, likeness, sameness, similarity fewness, paucity



2 the quality or state of being different

There's considerable *diversity* in the platforms for the two major parties.

Synonyms of diversity

contrast, difference, disagreement, discrepancy, disparateness, disparity, dissimilarity, dissimilitude, distance, distinction, distinctiveness, distinctness, diverse-ness, otherness, unlikeness

Words Related to diversity

deviance, divergence

differentiability, discriminability, distinguishability

change, modification, variation

variability, variance

anomalousness, dichotomy, incompatibility, incongruence, incongruity, incongruousness, nonconformity

Near Antonyms of diversity

identicalness, identity

accordance, agreement, conformity, congruity, correspondence, parallelism, similitude

equality, equivalence, equivalency

homogeneity, homogeneousness, uniformity

Antonyms of diversity

alike-ness, analogousness, analogy, community, likeness, resemblance, sameness, similarity

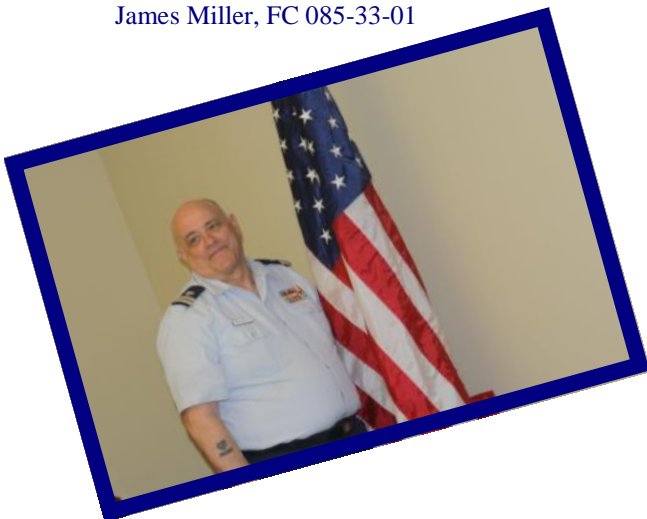




James Miller, FC 085-33-01



Passing of the Lantern Ceremony. James Miller, FC 085-33-01 and Brandon Butters, VCDR

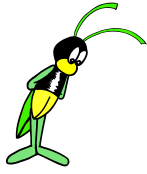


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BY THE INFORMATION BUG

By Barb Westcott

MARCH NOTES

<https://www.ready.gov/floods>

Floods Know your Risk

What

Flooding is a temporary overflowing of water onto land that is normally dry. Flooding may happen with only a few inches of water, or it may cover a house to the rooftop. There are many possible causes of floods including heavy rain or snowmelt, coastal storms and storm surge, waterway overflow from being blocked with debris or ice, or overflow of levees, dams, or waste water systems. Flooding can occur slowly over many days or happen very quickly with little or no warning, called flash floods.

Where

Flooding can happen in any U.S. state or territory. It is particularly important to be prepared for flooding if you live in a low-lying area near a body of water, such as near a river, stream, or culvert; along a coast; or downstream from a dam or levee.

When

Flooding can occur during every season, but some areas of the country are at greater risk at certain times of the year. Coastal areas are at greater risk for flooding during hurricane season (i.e., June to November), while the Midwest is more at risk in the spring and during heavy summer rains. Ice jams occur in the spring in the Northeast and Northwest. Even the deserts of the Southwest are at risk during the late summer monsoon season.

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Basic Safety Tips

Turn Around, Don't Drown! ®

Avoid walking or driving through flood waters.

Do not drive over bridges that are over fast-moving floodwaters. Floodwaters can scour foundation material from around the footings and make the bridge unstable.

Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.

If there is a chance of flash flooding, move immediately to higher ground.

If floodwaters rise around your car but the water is not moving, abandon the car and move to higher ground. Do not leave the car and enter moving water.

Avoid camping or parking along streams, rivers, and creeks during heavy rain-fall. These areas can flood quickly and with little warning.

Flood watch

Flood Watch = "Be Aware." Conditions are right for flooding to occur in your area.

Steps to Take

Turn on your TV/radio. You will receive the latest weather updates and emergency instructions.

Know where to go. You may need to reach higher ground quickly and on foot.

Build or restock your emergency preparedness kit. Include a flashlight, batteries, cash, and first aid supplies.

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<https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/winter/staysafe/frostbite.html>
Prepare Your Home

Bring in outdoor furniture and move important indoor items to the highest possible floor. This will help protect them from flood damage.

Disconnect electrical appliances and do not touch electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water. You could be electrocuted.

If instructed, turn off your gas and electricity at the main switch or valve. This helps prevent fires and explosions.

Flood warning

Flood Warning = "Take Action!" Flooding is either happening or will happen shortly.

Steps to Take

Move immediately to higher ground or stay on high ground.

Evacuate if directed.

Avoid walking or driving through flood waters. Turn Around, Don't Drown!

Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.



After a flood

Return home only when authorities say it is safe.

Be aware of areas where floodwaters have receded and watch out for debris. Floodwaters often erode roads and walkways.

Do not attempt to drive through areas that are still flooded.

Avoid standing water as it may be electrically charged from underground or downed power lines.

Photograph damage to your property for insurance purposes.

When it is not flooding: Make a flood plan

Know your flood risk.

Familiarize yourself with local emergency plans. Know where to go and how to get there should you need to get to higher ground, the highest level of a building, or to evacuate.

Make a flood emergency plan for the relevant type/s of local flood risk with plans such as evacuation, shelter, locations for high ground.

Build or restock your emergency preparedness kit, including a minimum of 3 days of food and water, flashlight, batteries, cash, and first aid supplies.



Consider buying flood insurance.

Stay tuned to your phone alerts, TV, or radio for weather updates, emergency instructions, or evacuation orders.



March 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Flotilla 33-1 Meeting James Miller, FC, home	6	7	8	9	10
11 	12	13	14	15	16	17 
18	19 Flotilla 33-1 Meeting Forty & Eight Club	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

April 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 HAPPY EASTER	2	3	4	5	6	7
				SPRING D TRAIN		
8 SPRING D TRAIN	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Flotilla 33-1 Meeting Forty & Eight Club	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					