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Annual Coast Guard



Holiday Party



On Friday December 12th we gathered at the Quarter-deck Restaurant on 17th to celebrate the Holidays with our local Coast Guard friends.

Council President Glenn Wiltshire was once again the MC (see above left), overseeing a number of activities. Coverage of the event begins on page 3.



odds & ends

From the editor

Season's Greetings

Welcome to the final edition of our newsletter for 2025. In this abbreviated edition we focus on our annual holiday party for our local Coast Guard personnel.

This year it was held at the Quarterdeck restaurant on 17th St. Thanks to Tom Carney for once again doing an outstanding job putting it together.

We would also like to thank the contributors to this edition of The Helmsman.

Shelley Beck
Glenn Wiltshire
Lawrence Denmark
William Hooker
Tom Carney

As 2025 draws to a close we now turn our focus to 2026 where we have many exciting events in the works. For updates we encourage you to keep an eye on our website where coming events and other announcements are posted.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

2026 Officers

Thanks for serving!

Glenn Wiltshire - President
Tom Melville - First Vice President
Natalie Koller - Second Vice President
Tom Carney - Treasurer
Shelley Beck - Secretary
Robert Marks - Legislative Affairs
Julie Carlson - JAG

Ft Lauderdale Council Meeting

On November 19th the Ft Lauderdale Council held one of their regular meetings at the Lauderdale Yacht Club. Their guest speaker was CAPT Willie L. Carmichael, Chief of Staff, USCG District 7.

A number of our members were in attendance. Council secretary Shelley Beck was one. She was kind enough to share a couple of photos from the event.



Lawrence Denmark, Fran Shaw, CAPT Carmichael, Glenn Wiltshire, Shelley

Also in attendance was a contingent of the JROTC unit from Taravella High School.



President Glenn, ROTC cadet McFarlane, and the Taravella ROTC instructor

Annual USCG Holiday Party

Coast Guard Units

This year we had the opportunity to grab some pictures of the Coast Guard attendees by unit.



ANT Fort Lauderdale



TACLET Fort Lauderdale



Air Station Miami



Base Miami Beach



Station Fort Lauderdale

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Contest Most Festive Dress



Contestants

BCNL Friends



Glenn with J.W. Arnold, Executive Director of Broward Navy Days



The Winner!



Wendy Scott from South Com

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BCNL Members



Tom Carney, Fran Shaw, Lawrence Denmark



Greg Grasso, Linda Rozema, Gary Rozema



Fran Shaw, Bob Marks



Council President, Glenn Wiltshire



Kim Tisdale of Broward Navy Days, Fran Shaw, and Shelley Beck Council Secretary

Annual USCG Holiday Party



November Dinner Social

STAR Center is the leading maritime training center in the USA, operated by the a division of the American Maritime Officers (AMO). They provide training for deck and engineer officers of all license levels.



Council member Graeme Holman hosted our November meeting there. He provided an overview of the STAR center operation, and guided tours through some of the center's training simulators.



Member Graeme Holman welcoming us



Graeme presenting the bridge simulator



Another item of business during the meeting was the presentation of name badges to new members



The engine room simulator

and in closing...

