# Dorchester Shrine Club

2025 April/May Newsletter



# FROM THE PRESIDENT: MICHAEL DOPKANT

Hello DSC Members and Familu.

First off, a huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Fishing Rodeo! We had approximately 113 kids join us for this great event, we couldn't have asked for a better turnout. The smiles on the kids' faces say it all, and we want to give a huge shoutout to our sponsors and volunteers who made it such a success. Without you, this event would not have been possible—thank you for your support!

If you haven't yet, make sure to stop by our Wing Nights and enjoy some of the best wings in town! It's the perfect way to wind down and connect with friends. If you'd like to volunteer or have any questions, reach out to any board member.

We were able to host the SPRING FLING Market last weekend! It's the place to find unique local goods and support small businesses. Look for more dates later in the year. If you're in the area, be sure to swing by—there's something for everyone.

#### **Exciting Upcoming Events**

#### 1. Boat Races - Saturday, May 31

We need ALL HANDS ON DECK for the Boat Races next weekend. This is one of our biggest events of the year, and we're calling on all members who are available to come and help out. We need volunteers in various roles, so if you have the time, please reach out to members of the Board (contact info at bottom of page)!

#### 2. Fireworks Show - Saturday, July 5

Get ready for a spectacular Fireworks Show on Saturday, July 5th! This is an event you won't want to miss. We are going all out this year, so grab your family and friends, and join us for a night full of fun and excitement.

#### 3. Smoke on the Shrine Lake - Friday & Saturday, September 5th & 6th

Our Smoke on the Shrine Lake event is just around the corner on September 5th and 6th. We're working hard to make this an unforgettable experience, with live music and a full lineup of activities. It's shaping up to be a huge party, and we need your help!

To make Smoke on the Shrine Lake a total success, we're challenging all members to sell 10 dinner tickets. Tickets are in the works and will be available soon—please reach out to Ronnie Frietas for more information. Let's make this event one for the books!

#### DSC Parade Float in Myrtle Beach & Supporting OMAR

OMAR Ceremonial was such a great time supporting our Shrine Center and the new candidates! Look to the second page for some pictures.

In conclusion, thank you again to all the sponsors, volunteers, and participants who have made our events so successful this year. From the Fishing Rodeo to the upcoming boat races and fireworks show, we couldn't do it without you. Let's keep the momentum going—remember, we are stronger together!

Stay tuned for more updates, and let's make the next few months unforgettable!

Let us strive to be the Drive in 2025!! Mike Dopkant



## **Upcoming Events**

#### **Omar Upcoming Events**

5/15-5/18: Omar Spring Ceremonial

#### **DSC Upcoming Events**

5/30: BIG Wing Night

5/31: SouthEastern Drag Boat Races

#### **Unit Upcoming Events**

### **Upcoming DSC & Unit Meetings**

5/21: DSC General Membership Meeting 5/30: Cowboys Meeting 6/5: VIP's Meeting 6/6: Directors Staff Meeting

# DSC 2025 Board of Directors

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#### Volunteers\*

Please get with Chris Caron, if you would like to volunteer in the kitchen on BWN!!

Help is needed!!

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