

## MIACC At the Helm



## Who is MIACC





by Tiffany Sawyer-Schank Executive Director of Marine Industries

he Marine Industries Association of Collier County (MIACC) is a nonprofit group dedicated to boater safety, boater education and preserving access to Florida's waterways since its inception in 1981. The MIACC represents its members, the local marine business and the recreational to the government. It is their commitment to the mublic to.

boater, to the government. It is their commitment to the public to preserve the right to safe and fun boating. The MIACC encourages its members to put in place environmental business practices that will prevent pollution and damage to our coastal waters, thus protecting boaters' enjoyment of healthy waterways and ensuring a sustainable future for the environment and the marine industry.

MIACC's partnership with the community through industry events serves as a platform to educate boaters about safety and enjoyment of the water. MIACC is responsible for organizing the annual Naples Boat Show(s), Marco Boat Show, Kids Free Fishing Clinic at the Naples Pier, and the Christmas Boat Parade on Naples Bay.

Through donations and volunteer work, the MIACC and its foundation also supports Paradise Reef, CCSO Build-A-Boat, Freedom Waters Foundation, Leadership Collier, Friends of Rookery Bay, Junior Deputy, Keep Collier Beautiful, Naples Community Sailing Regatta, Kids Don't Float Life Jacket Loaner Program, the Ricky King Fund and many other great local organizations and events. Through an alliance with the Marine Industries Association of Florida, membership in the MIACC offers direct access to advance information on Florida's marine industry and access to the legislative forces and full-time lobbyists that shape its destiny.

The MIACC is organized by an executive director, Tiffany Sawyer-Schank and a nine member board of directors, including President Frank Perrucci of the Naples Boat Club; Vice President Chris Burkard of Burkard Yacht Sales; Treasurer Josh Maxwell of Turrell, Hall & Associates; Secretary Stephen Strassel of the Naples Princess; Past President Kit Sawyer of Sawyer's Marina; Director Russ Burland of Hilton Naples; Director Ray Jahn of Fish Tale Sales; Director Jim Kalvin of Kalvin & Calvin Marine Construction; and Director Dan Mercier, Sr. of Sea Tow Naples.

For more information about membership in MIACC or a schedule of events, visit MIACC.org or contact Tiffany Sawyer-Schank, at 239.682.0900 Email: director@miacc. org. Follow us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook: @ NaplesBoatShow, #MarineIndustries, /MIACCBoatShow and /MarineIndustries



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#### Welcome Aboard New Members:

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## Southpointe Yacht Club & Marina

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## **Boater Safety Zone Update Initiative Workshops**

Three **Boater Safety Zone Update Initiative Workshops** are planned over the next few months. These open house style workshops are an opportunity for community members to receive an overview of Boater Safety Zones, the areas within Collier County that will be under review for Boater Safety Zones and the Florida State Statutes that govern the development or removal of these zones. A brief PowerPoint Presentation will be shown in a continuous loop and attendees will have an opportunity to talk one-on-one with Collier County Coastal Zone Management staff. This will also be an opportunity for members of the boating community to provide input on any boater safety concerns. All members of the public are welcome to attend any or all of the workshops listed below.

Monday, Jan. 29, 2018 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Rose Hall at Marco Island Branch Library 210 S. Heathwood Drive, Marco Island, FL 34145

Monday, Feb. 26, 2018 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Growth Management Department, Development Services Building, Conference Rooms 609/610 2800 North Horseshoe Drive Naples, FL 34104

Thursday, March 29, 2018 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Growth Management Department, Development Services Building, Conference Rooms 609/610 2800 North Horseshoe Drive Naples, FL 34104

#### **Manatee Protection Plan**

On April 20, 2017, the FWC Commissioners approved the proposed changes to the manatee protection zones in Collier County that were formally recommended on January 10, 2017. The final rule language, found in 68C-22.023, FAC, has been filed for adoption with the Florida Department of State and were made effective on February 19, 2018.

Information on the rule, as well as the final rule language and associated maps, are available on the FWC Manatee Rulemaking site at:

http://myfwc.com/wildlifehabitats/managed/manatee/rulemaking/.

If you have any questions regarding the Collier County manatee protection rule, please send all inquiries to <u>ManateeRuleCom-</u><u>ments@myFWC.com</u> (please reference Collier County in the subject line).

Thank you for your interest in manatee protection issues. Regards,

Imperiled Species Management Section Division of Habitat and Species Conservation



#### Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

MyFWC.com



## Membership & Marina Open House at the Club

Invite your membership candidates to our Membership & Marina Open House and let them discover the benefits of membership at the newly-renovated Pelican Isle Yacht Club!

Top Class Marina Social Events & Intra Clubs Elegant Dining Venues Exceptional Amenities

Guided Clubhouse Tours! Beach Shuttle Boat Rides on our "Pelican"! Marina Slip and Membership Information will be reviewed!

> Membership & Marina Open House Saturday, March 10th, 2018 10:00am-2:00pm Prospective Members are welcome to attend on their own. Light refreshments will be served. Reservations are suggested but not required.

To RSVP, please email Kathie Pedit, Membership Sales & Marketing Director, at <u>kathie@piyc.net</u>. You may also visit us online at <u>www.piyc.net</u>.

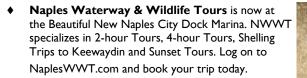


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### **Member News & Events**





#### PURE FLORIDA

Shack Your Shamrock Facebook photo contest for St Patrick's weekend

New rental boat for a 3 boat rental fleet.

KUDU II Now Operational at the Naples City Dock





Marco Yacht Sales moves into New Boat Sales
Stocking dealer for: Sea Born, Sundance, Spyder and Trifecta

Offering Yamaha, Mercury and Suzuki power options New display area on 8,000sf of green way space waterside at Calusa Island Marina



Looking for Captains for the Walker's Redfish Round-Up!

COME SPEND A FUN TIME WITH FRIENDS, ANGLERS, CELEBRITIES, AND AMERICA'S HEROES!

# TWO-DAY CHARITY EVENT

FRIDAY, MARCH 9 Cowboy Key Captain's Soirée & Live Concert Charity Auction



To register for the tournament or learn more visit hopeforthewarriors.org/ redishroundup or 501auctions.com/redfishroundup SATURDAY, MARCH 10 Redfish Round-Up Fishing Tournament

Awards Presentation and Fish Fry

#### **About Hope For The Warriors**<sup>®</sup>

We believe those touched by military service can succeed at home by restoring their sense of self, family, and hope. Nationally, Hope For The Warriors provides comprehensive support programs for service members, veterans, and military families that are focused on transition, health and wellness, peer engagement, and connections to community resources,





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## **MIPAC 1st Quarter Contributions**

#### **Marine Industries Promoting** Access for Citizens

In 2002 the Marine Industries Association of Collier County formed a Political Action Committee named Marine Industries Promoting Access for Citizens (MIPAC). This action was taken so that we can support issues and legislative candidates who assist the goals and purposes of the marine industries community.

On a guarterly basis, the MIPAC seeks donations of \$50.00 from each member. The MIPAC's mis-

#### Upcoming Events

sions and goals are to act upon problematic issues that must be addressed at the legislative level for the growth and protection of the marine industry. Monies collected from the MIPAC donations are used in supporting political decision makers that will tackle the very issues that affect all members of our industry. As a good steward of our member's donations, MIPAC adheres to uniform contribution criteria when determining how much and

#### Support the MIACC Foundation



The MIACC represents you, the marine business owner and your business interests to the government and to the public. At a time when government regulations are expanding, the MIACC is striving to work with government - locally, statewide and nationally to protect equally all marine business concerns. Our goal is to inform our members how their business will be affected and how solutions can be reached if new regulations are at odds with marine business interests. In addition, it is equally important to work with the public in preserving their right to safe and fun boating. The MIACC works with educators and safety organizations to educate the public to practice safe boating. The MIACC also encourages members to put in place hands-on environmental business practices that will prevent pollution and damage to our coastal waters thus protecting boaters' enjoyment of healthy waterways and ensuring a sustainable future for the environment and the marine industry.

#### to which candidate assistance is allocated.

MIPAC will educate you about the political landscape and issues facing our organization and will strategize political impact. In addition, the committee is always open to suggestions, questions and comments.

Please send your quarterly donations to MIPAC, PO Box 9887, Naples, Florida 34101



Please make checks payable to MIPAC

Marco Boat Show

October 13-14, 2018

