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MIACC 2022-2023 Event Schedule



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Where: On-Land | Sugden Regional Park 4284 Avalon Dr

In-Water | Naples City Dock 880 12th Ave S

ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE ON www.NaplesBoatShow.org MORE INFORMATION: WWW.MIACC.ORG

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promoting a positive fishing

Where: Naples Pier

25 12th Ave S

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Share the benefits of membership With your colleagues!

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From Your Board of Directors



Member & Industry News



 Need a new website?! GREAT DEAL ALERT MIACC members get 50% discount through the end of September AND they will donate \$200 to the MIACC Foundation for each member that signs up with Boat Marketing Pros this year!!

Are you ready for the 2022-2023 busy season? Do you have a well-thoughtout strategy for promoting your marine business and distinguishing yourself from your competition? Is your online presence strong enough to attract customers? Harry Casimir, CEO, and Founder of Boat Marketing Pros conducted a live webinar where he unpacked all his secrets to marketing YOUR marine business this busy season.

Here's a snippet of what was discussed:

- How to Dominate Your Local Market
- How to Discover 3 Things You Can Do Right Now - Develop an Unsinkable Plan

Watch the replay here: <u>https://boatmarketingpros.com/2022-2023-season-</u> digital-marketing-playbook-for-marine-businesses-replay-link/



Pier One YACHT SALES.

• Sad News In the Marine Industry

We are sad to report the passing of Len Garafoli. Leonard "Len" Garofoli, 67 of Port Charlotte passed away after a brief illness on August 9th. Len was the principal of Punta Gorda based Pier One Yacht Sales.



GOLDEN THE CENTERPIECE OF MARINA RENOVATION



Windward Marina Group recently completed an upscale renovation project featuring state-of-the-art Golden aluminum in-slip boat lifts and docks at its Jacksonville Beach Marina (Beach Marine). The location is conveniently situated on the Intracoastal Waterway in Florida.

Installed by Jacksonville-based Beacon Construction, the project includes the addition of 15 Golden Aluminum Four-Post Boat Lifts with 28,000 lb. capacities and 10 that accommodate vessels up to 40,000 lbs. Each is manufactured in the USA to ISO 9001:2015 standards for long-lasting durability and unprecedented safety. Lifting power comes from the powerful Golden Sea-Drive® (U.S. Patent No. 7,850,147), each delivering 8,000 in. lbs. of torque at 0.98 hp input for fast and reliable operation.

"Our customers have been happy with the unrestricted access to their boats that the lift slips offer," said Allen "Gus" Gustafson, Beach Marine's director of marina operations. "We're pleased with the product and currently working with Golden on adding more lifts in the future."

The Beach Marine project also involved installing 25 custom Golden Marine Systems 9-Series aluminum walkways, configured as fixed docks, for access to each lift. Each 43' 9" L x 3' W dock is built from fully welded 6061 T6 marine-grade aluminum with stainless steel components, topped with an attractive Endeck composite decking.

"We're seeing a new trend of marinas upgrading to lift slips," said Michael Shanley, Golden Marine Systems president. "Especially for larger vessels that push the limits of indoor storage, lifts keep the boats out of the water and safe from the elements. They also provide owners fast and easy access, while reducing the need—and expense—for marina staff to be involved in every launch. In addition, marina owners are realizing premium rates for lift slips with fast returns on investments." As part of the renovation, Beach Marine dredged its basin to 6' at low tide to attract larger vessels to the location. In addition, Windward Marina Group is in the process of upgrading the marina's power from 208V dual phase to 240V single phase.

Conveniently located 12 miles south of the St. John's River Mayport Inlet, Windward Marina Group's Jacksonville Beach Marina provides boat owners quick access to world-class Intracoastal Waterway cruising sites and bluewater adventures. With over 180 wet slips and 300 drystack slips, it offers top-tier amenities including a fuel dock, restaurant, dry storage, MarineMax sales and service, along with both Freedom and Carefree boat clubs. Its website is www.mywindward.com/jax-beach -marine.

Member News



• New Member: MJD Enterprise Solutions- About Us Business consultants working with companies to help them lower their costs, increase their benefits, and become more profitable.

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News from Collier County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit

Ahoy! This month we're discussing vessel security.

Whether you have a boat on a lift in your backyard, run a marine maintenance facility, or operate a boat yard full of new boats for sale, you have something thieves want. Here are some tips to help prevent becoming a victim of theft:

- Marine electronics are a big ticket item. From GPS chart plotters to stereos, these items are expensive and there is a huge market for them online. One easy way to prevent theft is to remove these items from the boat if they are not permanently affixed. If you cannot remove them, try altering the mounting hardware, like bending a screw or stripping a nut. While this will add extra work if you have to remove it later, that extra work may cause thieves to move on to another boat or location. Also, Garmin did a software push that allows you to add a passcode to your system. This will pop up upon power-up and, if entered incorrectly, will not allow the equipment to function. You can also lock all hatches and doors that lead to compartments where a thief can access the back of the electronics. This may slow them down enough that they choose another target.

- Fishing equipment and other recreational sports gear such as wakeboards and tubes are also popular targets. The easiest way to prevent theft of these items is simply to remove them from the vessel. Secure them in your house or a locked garage. Criminals who target these types of items are motivated by opportunity. They find a target like a boat full of expensive fishing rods sitting in holders and quickly act. If for some reason you have to leave these items on the boat, place them into locking compartments, or secure them to your boat's structure with a cable, or chain and lock. - Consider adding motion lights or other lighting in general parking areas to help prevent your boat from becoming a target. The technology is out there for solar-powered motion lights, allowing bright light to kick on when it senses motion. This not only lights up your boat or yard, but from a distance if a neighbor sees the flashing lights, they may call law enforcement in your absence.

- Motion-activated wireless cameras are also a good security option. There are several brands out there that work off battery and begin recording and notify you of the motion on your phone. As long as you can pick up the Wi-Fi at your place, these cameras can be put anywhere. -Remove the keys from your boat. If the keys are in the boat, thieves will find them.

- If you boat is lift kept, lock the control and, if possible, have a secondary breaker that you can turn off in the house. This will keep your lift from operating if you are not there. Some people have used a harden chain and padlock to chain the boat to the lift, which will slow a thief down.

- Lastly, if you see something, say something. By being alert and reporting suspicious activity to local law enforcement, you can protect your community. Call the CCSO non-emergency number at 239.252.9300. It's always important to let law enforcement know about unusual activity. Make the call if you see anything that doesn't seem right. We'll check it out. Together, we can keep Collier County safe.



Member News & Events





Pure Florida is Partnering with Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. It is an amazing community event and raises money through American Society to fund the continued research to find effective and efficient treatments for breast cancer patients. A small portion of the funds stay local to help patients with transportation to and from appointments along with counseling services for patients, family members, survivors and caregivers.

We hope you can join by creating a team or joining as a sponsor. Whichever way feels right to you. If you aren't sure, feel free to join the Pure Florida team and walk with us. We can send you that link directly with an invite to join our team.

If you know you want to create a team for the walk Saturday, October 8 the link is below to get started.

https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR?pg=entry&fr_id=103003

Help Pure Florida with our Round up on Sales for Making Strides.



Freedom Waters Foundation, an organization helping children, individuals with special needs, and veterans by providing on-the-

water experiences, is excited to announce the addition of Dawn Diehl to the Board of Directors. Diehl is a passionate community supporter who has served renowned Winterfest for more than 30 years, specifically producing

The Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade which has earned the title "The World's Most Watched Boat Parade" and generating more than \$50 million annually in economic impact for Fort Lauderdale and Broward County.

Diehl's rich connection to the Fort Lauderdale community as a whole and passion for boating make her a natural fit for the Freedom Waters Foundation board. The organization is grateful for her commitment and looks forward to expanding efforts even more with her support.

Debra Frenkel, Founder and Executive Director of Freedom Waters Foundation, and Dawn Diehl have known each other for more than 20 years and always talked about partnering in some way. Both feel that this is just the right time and are looking forward to making magical things happen in the Southeast Florida communities, alongside Robin Meagher,

Freedom Waters Foundation's east coast Director of Program and Development.

Freedom Waters Foundation is actively expanding beyond its origin in Fort Lauderdale and welcomes sponsors, boaters, volunteers, and others to join them. For more information, visit https://

freedomwatersfoundation.org/ one-time-donation/ or https:// freedomwatersfoundation.org/ volunteers/.





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MIPAC 3rd 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

MIACC Membership Meeting **MIACC** Annual Meeting Kids Fishing Clinic Student Art Competition Boat Parade Captains Meeting Christmas Boat Parade

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

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Member News

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Our Mission: Marine Industries Association of Collier County (MIACC) is a not-for-profit membershipbased organization focused on the responsible growth of the marine industry for the benefit of its members, recreational boaters, the community, and the environment.

Our Goal: MIACC represents recreational boating and member interests at the Local, State, and Federal levels; Issues of interest include Water Access, Recreational Boating, Commercial Boating, Free Trade, Advocating for Property Rights, and Legislative or Regulatory initiatives that impact these interests.

Our Members: Members include Dealers & Manufacturers, Boating & Professional Services, Charters, Marine Contractors, Boat Lifts, Shipyards & Storage, and Equipment & Accessories.

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

September 29th 5:30-7:30pm November 10th 5:30-7pm Deadline December 1st December 7th December 10, 2023



3rd Quarter Requests Make Checks Payable to MIPAC!



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