THE



FLORIDA
BEACH PATROL
CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

AND THE



UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION SOUTHEAST REGION

PRESENT THE

2003 LIFESAVING AWARDS BANQUET FRIDAY MARCH 26 TH, 2004 – 7:00PM TO 11:00PM

CITY OF DELRAY BEACH
MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE
2200 HIGHLAND AVENUE / DELRAY BEACH, FL.

**HONORING THE** 

"<u>LIFEGUARD OF THE YEAR</u>"

"BEACH PATROL OF THE YEAR"

PATRICK "SQUID" MC GLAMERY

**CLEARWATER BEACH** 

THE FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION AND THE UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION, SOUTHEAST REGION GRACIOUSLY REQUEST YOUR ATTENDANCE AND WELCOME YOU TO THE 2003 LIFESAVING ELEVENTH ANNUAL AWARDS AND DINNER BANQUET. WE HOPE YOU HAVE AN EXCITING TIME AT THIS MEMORABLE EVENT.

### **PROGRAM**

RECEPTION - WELCOME ALL GUESTS 7:00 PM CONVERSATION / COCKTAILS 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM INTRODUCTIONS 7:45 PM AWARDS PRESENTATION 7:45 PM - 8:15 PM **BUFFET - BANQUET DINNER** 8:15 PM - 9:30 PM AWARDS PRESENTATION 9:30 PM - 10:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR / CONVERSATION & 10:00 PM - 11:00 PM DANCING CLOSING THOUGHTS 11:00 PM

U.S.L.A. SOUTHEAST REGION FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS 2002 & 2003 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS 2003 & 2004 EXECUTIVE BOARD PRESIDENT - JIM Mc CRADY PRESIDENT - BOB MALER VICE-PRESIDENT – CLINT TRACY VICE PRESIDENT (N) – JOHN FRAZIER TREASURER - PHIL WOTTON VICE-PRESIDENT (C) – DON MAY SECRETARY - VACANT VICE PRESIDENT (S) – TOM FOGAN COMPETITION – TODD RAPP VICE PRESIDENT (W) – JOE LAIN PUBLIC ED. - PAT Mc GLAMERY VICE PRESIDENT (P) – VACANT RECURRENT REP. - VACANT TREASURER - LEE MAGNUSON ADVISOR – GERRY FALCONER SECRETARY – BOB TAYLOR SAFETY DIRECTOR – JIM Mc CARTHY ADVISOR - ROB CALDWELL

### **FLORIDA OCEAN LIFESAVING AWARDS - 2003**

- 2003 'PRESIDENTS AWARD' OUTSTANDING YEAR IN LIFESAVING RECIPIENT: BREVARD COUNTY OCEAN RESCUE
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R. '2001 2003' OFFICERS AWARDS</u>

  RECIPIENTS: JIM MC CRADY / CLINT TRACY / PHIL WOTTON / TODD RAPP /

  PATRICK MC GLAMERY / GERRY FALCONER / JIM MC CARTHY
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R.</u> <u>25+ YEAR LIFESAVING SERVICE AWARDS</u> RECIPIENTS: DAVID THORNE / JACK YUKEN / MIKE SZEFINSKI / BOB MALER / SCOTT VANACE
- F.B.P.C.A. / U.S.L.A. S.E.R. SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD HAITI TRIP RECIPIENTS: WYATT WERNETH / BILL BOYLE / ERIK JERSTED
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R. PADDLE BOARD SERIES AWARDS</u> WINNERS: JOE D'AGOSTINO / CYNTHIA AGUILAR
- F.B.P.C.A. / U.S.L.A. S.E.R EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SERIES

  EVENTS COORDINATOR KENNY THOMPSON

  EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES "CLINCON" TEAM RECOGNITION

  PALM BEACH COUNTY OCEAN RESCUE

  WINNERS: TODD RAPP / MESA FERON / RYAN BROWN
- F.B.P.C.A. LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT: RICH CONNELL
- <u>U.S.L.A. NATIONAL CHAMPIONS / DIVISION 2</u> RECIPIENT: BOCA RATON
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R. REGIONAL & NATIONAL COMPETITORS RECOGNITION</u>
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 'HEROIC ACT' AWARDS</u>

  RECIPIENTS: JOE ADAMSKI / GARY & MATTHEW WISE
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R. LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD</u> RECIPIENT: BILL FOX
- <u>U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 2003 SPRINT SERIES TEAM AWARD WINNERS</u>

  FT. LAUDERDALE / BOCA RATON / CLEARWATER / DELRAY BEACH / HOLLYWOOD
- FLORIDAS "LIFEGUARD OF THE YEAR" PAST / PRESENT RECOGNITION
- FLORIDAS "BEACH PATROL OF THE YEAR" PAST / PRESENT RECOGNITION



# FLORIDA BEACH PATRO TED STATES LIFESAVING ASS

### **LIFEGUARD OF THE YEAR - 2003**

#### RECIPIENT:

• PATRICK 'SQUID' MC GLAMERY - BOCA RATON

Patrick was always drawn to water. He received his nickname from his parents at the age of three months. when they took a family trip to the Texas gulf coast. Upon entering the gulf waters he began to swim unaided almost immediately, leading his stunned parents to dub him 'squid'. At the age of six, he began to swim competitively and spent almost every moment in the water somewhere. During his frequent family moves, he eventually spent time in California and briefly Hawaii, where he began surfing. His love of the water and especially the ocean, deepened. From as far back as he can remember Squid wanted to be a lifeguard and as soon as he could, enrolled in an American Red Cross Advanced Lifesaving course. His very first job at fifteen years old was as a pool lifeguard and he has worked as a lifeguard in one capacity or another ever since. In an effort to enhance his knowledge of water and land lifesaving skills, he started taking all the related Red Cross and American Heart Association courses he could, eventually leading to instructor capacities in most disciplines. After graduating high school and realizing his dream of a career in ocean lifesaving, he made his move to south Florida from his home in Denver Colorado. By the luck of fate he settled with a friend of a friend in Boca Raton and found that the City's beach patrol was hiring. He tried out and was eventually hired and has worked there ever since. In the ensuing years, Squid has continued to expand his knowledge and abilities in the field of lifesaving, eventually becoming certified as an EMT. In 1999, after having worked in the ocean lifesaving field for several years, Squid became interested in furthering the professionalism and public perception of this important and frequently maligned career. He ran for and was elected to the United States Lifesaving Association Southeast Region as Director of Public Education, an office he held for two 2-year terms. He subsequently ran for and was elected to the office of President this past December. Squid continues to work for Boca Raton Ocean Rescue, now in the capacity of Lieutenant and training officer. He has been involved on the patrol's award winning EMS competition team, has traveled to the Florida Panhandle to assist with lifesaving instruction in an area where many persons have drowned, become an USLA Certification Officer and has given several public presentations on beach and ocean safety awareness. Squid has recently become involved in an effort to create an ocean lifesaving curriculum to be offered at the University level, which will hopefully enhance the lifesaving profession and lead to better recognition and possible "special risk" retirement status.

> <u>UNITED STATES LIFESA</u> SOUTHEAST REGION : 25+ Y

BOB MALER MIKE SZEFINSKI MIAMI-DADE CO. PALM BEACH CO.

JACK YUKEN
DAVID THORNE

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### **BEACH PATROL OF THE YEAR - 2003**

#### RECIPIENT:

CLEARWATER BEACH

Clearwater Beach, is one the busiest beaches in Florida with an average beach attendance of nearly five million visitors during the past several years. Clearwater Beach Patrol, a USLA certified agency for close to ten years, consists of 8 full time guards and roughly 30 part time guards covering approximately 2 miles of beach year round. Our Jr. lifeguard program as well as the competition team is completely funded by proceeds generated from the Clearwater Beach Patrol Ocean Mile Swim. Our Jr. Guard program has tripled in size the past 3 years with a waiting list. The Beach Patrol has participated in the Great American Teach In for 5 years running as well as giving annual beach safety awareness talks at a variety of local elementary schools, the Boy Scouts of America, and local church groups. The competition team traveled in the neighborhood of 5000 miles last year alone, attending all but one of the Sprint series as well as various other paddle races throughout Florida. Three Clearwater guards paddled the grueling Cuba to Key West paddleboard race in July. We were truly honored to host the USLA Southeast Regional Lifeguard Tournament last summer which many said was one of the best run tournaments in years, not to mention a whole lot of fun. The competition team has excelled the past several years in spite of the long distance traveled to tournaments, placing first at the 2002 Southeast Regionals and a close second in 2003. The success of our competitors has truly rubbed off on the rest of our staff, including our Jr. Lifeguards thus making everyone strive to be the best they can be. Not a day goes by when someone either calls or comes by wanting to join the Beach Patrol. Put as succinctly as words allow, we are truly proud to be ocean lifesavers. Our unwavering attitude, true dedication and our utmost professionalism to this chosen vocation remains our highest priority.

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# FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - RICH CONNELL

When Rich Connell was an eighth-grader in Berkley, Michigan, he had the good fortune to be at a Saturday movie matinee. "The movie I saw changed my life forever. The title was Gldget Goes Hawaiian. He vowed as soon as I was old enough, he would move to a beach and become a surfer and hang out with Gldget and her friends," he said. Rich reached and surpassed his goal, having spent the better part of his adult life working on the beach. He worked for Delray Beach as an Ocean Lifeguard starting his employment on June 6, 1975, totaling nearly 27 years. As Beach Superintendent, Rich saw that some lifeguards were more concerned with sitting on the beach than saving lives. Some were addicted to alcohol or drugs, he said. Using a point system requiring lifeguards to workout, practice rescues and learn emergency life support techniques. Those who didn't get enough points were released.

Rich remembers how, as a child, he longed each year for the Summer so he could visit his grandparents near Lake St. Clair. "My grandfather really had a love for the water and he took me out salling a lot there, and my dad was a merchant mariner for a while, so that's where I got my love for the ocean," he said. When he was 20, Connell followed that love. He dropped out of college and moved to Florida. George Evans, a lifeguard he befriended told Rich, "the difference between them the two of them was that he was being pald to be at the beach" and urged Connell to sign up for a Red Cross lifesaving course. Rich enrolled in the class, which was taught by John LaPointe, who was Delray Beach's Aquatics Supervisor. After Rich's graduation in 1975, LaPointe hired him to be a Delray Beach lifeguard. That launched Rich's lifeguard career. He was eventually promoted to lifeguard Captain and in 1987 to Beach Supervisor being reclassified to Ocean Rescue Superintendent in 1999, overseeing the City's ocean rescue operations. Today, Rich is the Assistant Director for the Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department. Rich says, "I've always found peace and solace at the beach and I do love it there". If the world was coming to an end, that's the place where I'd want to be."

Rich became a member of the FBPCA in the Spring of 1987 and took over as Secretary in 1988, was re-elected and served until 1992. In 1992 he was elected Vice President until 1994 then President for one term until 1996. He then served as Advisor until 1998. Rich was a member of SELA and then the USLA since the 1980s and served as President for a short period of time in 1996 and then as Advisor. Probably his greatest success was being on the Office of EMS Lifeguard Advisory Committee and helped get Ocean Lifeguards added to Florida Statutes as officially part of the EMS System and requiring them to be 1<sup>ST</sup> responders as a minimum level of medical certification as of 10/1/93. Unfortunately, Disney World lobbied heavily to prevent this from being made law and it was changed to a rule. The law also required every lifesaving agency in the state to have a Memorandum of Understanding on file with their BLS/ALS counterpart as to what protocols would be used in rescue emergencies to coordinate pre-hospital care increasing the survival rate of patients statewide. Rich says, "I was lucky to be in the right place at the right time to make those things happen."

# UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION SOUTHEAST REGION

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
RECIPIENT: BILL FOX

'HEROIC ACT' AWARDS
RECIPIENTS: JOE ADAMSKI & GARY & MATTHEW WISE

### FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

THE BEACH "CHIEFS" FORMED IN 1983 TO PROMOTE PROFESSIONALISM WITHIN FLORIDA'S OCEAN LIFESAVING AGENCIES. THE FOUNDING MEMBERS RECOGNIZED THE **NEED FOR INCREASED COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION AMONG** FLORIDA'S PROFESSIONAL OCEAN LIFEGUARDS. **WORTHWHILE PROJECTS BEGAN** TO EMERGE FROM THE "CHIEFS" INCLUDING PUBLIC EDUCATION. PROMOTING LEGISLATION RELATED TO OCEAN LIFESAVING AND RAISING STANDARDS OF TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION. THE LIFEGUARD OF THE YEAR AND BEACH PATROL OF THE YEAR AWARDS WERE CREATED TO HONOR THE BEST LIFEGUARDS AND LIFEGUARD AGENCIES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.



## UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION

THE PRIMARY GOAL OF U.S.L.A. IS
TO, "ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN HIGH
STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL SURF AND
OPEN WATER LIFESAVING FOR THE
MAXIMIZING OF PUBLIC SAFETY." AS SUCH,
U.S.L.A. LEADERS HAVE LONG WORKED TO
STANDARDIZE TRAINING AND LIFESAVING
PRACTICES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED
STATES THROUGH VARIOUS MEANS.

THERE ARE NOW OVER 100 CHAPTERS OF THE U.S.L.A. EACH IS AFFILIATED WITH A LOCAL LIFESAVING SERVICE OR SERVICES AND COMPOSED OF EMPLOYEES OF THOSE AGENCIES. THE CHAPTERS FORM REGIONS, OF WHICH THERE ARE EIGHT, EACH U.S.L.A. REGION HAS A PRESIDENT AND ITS OWN BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE U.S.L.A., ELECTED EVERY TWO YEARS, IS MADE UP OF DELEGATES SENT BY EACH REGION TO BI-ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS. WITHIN CERTAIN GUIDELINES, REGIONAL REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS PROPORTIONAL TO REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP LEVELS.

THROUGHOUT ITS HISTORY THE U.S.L.A.

HAS BEEN AN ORGANIZATION OF

LIFEGUARDS FOR LIFEGUARDS, IMPROVING
THEIR PROFESSION AND THE SAFETY OF
THE BEACH-GOING PUBLIC. DEDICATED
MEMBERS VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND
ACCOMPLISH THE WORK OF THE
ORGANIZATION.
THAT WORK CONTINUES TODAY.



#### LORIDA'S LIFEGUARDS OF THE YEAR

1986

ROB CALDWELL – LANTANA 1987

CHUCK PRICE – PALM BEACH COUNTY
1988

ERIK JERSTED – TOWN OF PALM BEACH 1989

KEN GUNTHER - PALM BEACH COUNTY 1990

BRIAN RICHARDSON – MARTIN COUNTY 1991

JERRY FALCONER - POMPANO BEACH 1992

JERRY HUTTON – PALM BEACH COUNTY 1993

NAJIM MUSTO – DEERFIELD BEACH
1994

PHIL MIRKIN – MIAMI-DADE COUNTY 1995

VINCE WIERNICKI – ST. LUCIE COUNTY 1996

> PHIL WOTTON – BOCA RATON 1997

JULIA LEO – PALM BEACH COUNTY 1998

ERICK BARBOSA – MIAMI-DADE COUNTY 1999

STEVE ZICKL – DELRAY BEACH 2000

CHRISTINE McCRADY – FT. LAUDERDALE 2001

MIKE BROWN – DEERFIELD BEACH 2002

LUIZ MORIZOT- LEITE – MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

2003

PATRICK MC GLAMERY - BOCA RATON

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS AND BEACH AGENCIES WHO HELPED US OFFICIATE OUR SPECIAL EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE 2003 LIFEGUARD COMPETITION SEASON.

#### BEACH PARAOLS OF THE YEAR

1993 **TOWN OF LANTANA** 1994 CITY OF HOLLYWOOD 1995 CITY OF DELRAY BEACH 1996 PALM BEACH COUNTY 1997 CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH 1998 CITY OF BOCA RATON 1999 CITY OF DELRAY BEACH 2000 CITY OF HOLLYWOOD 2001 CITY OF DELRAY BEACH 2002

CITY OF POMPANO BEACH
2003
CLEARWATER BEACH



