

**THE
FLORIDA
BEACH PATROL
CHIEFS ASSOCIATION**



**AND THE
UNITED STATES
LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION
SOUTHEAST REGION**

***PRESENT THE
2019 LIFESAVING AWARDS BANQUET***

***AT THE
City of Hollywood***

Hollywood, FL 33022

HONORING THE

"Lifeguard of the Year"

Ryan Keith

Palm Beach County

"Beach Patrol of the Year"

City of Hollywood

Ocean Rescue



City of Hollywood Marine Safety

Welcomes you to the
FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION
and the
UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION
SOUTHEAST REGION

Annual awards banquet here at the City of Hollywood. We appreciate member agency's commitment to travel to this event and share in our celebration.

The Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association and the United States Lifesaving Association, Southeast Region cordially invite you to the **twenty-sixth Annual** Lifesaving Awards and Banquet dinner. Come celebrate our 2019 accomplishments with food, fun music and camaraderie.

Tonight's Itinerary

6:00 PM	CHECK IN
6:00 PM	COCKTAIL TIME / POOLSIDE RECEPTION
6:45 PM - 7:00 PM	WELCOME
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	BANQUET DINNER
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM	AWARDS PRESENTATION
10:00 PM	CLOSING THOUGHTS

Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs 2019 - 2020 Executive Board

PRESIDENT

Joe Westerman - Manatee County

VICE PRESIDENT (North Region)

Andy Ritchie - St Lucie County

VICE PRESIDENT (Central Region)

Joe Peloquin - Palm Beach County

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TREASURER

Phil Wotton - Delray Beach

SECRETARY

Brad Beckett - Martin County

ADVISOR

Eric Hellstrom - St Johns County

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PRESIDENT – Alan Holt

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ADVISOR – Gerry Falconer

1ST EXEC DELEGATE – Tom McGibeny

2ND EXEC DELEGATE – Eric Hellstrom

3RD EXEC DELEGATE – Bruce Wilkie

4TH EXEC DELEGATE – A.J. Miller

Competition – Jim McCrady

Juniors – Chris Nowviskie

Membership– Karissa Ickes

Public Education – Jo Wagenhals

2018 FLORIDA OCEAN LIFESAVING AWARDS

- ♦ **F.B.P.C.A 2017 - 2018 Executive Officers**
- ♦ **In Memory of ...**
- ♦ **U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50+ Year Lifesaving Service Awards**
- ♦ **F.B.P.C.A Heroic Act Award**
- ♦ **F.B.P.C.A President's Award**
- ♦ **F.B.P.C.A. Special Recognition Award**
- ♦ **National Competitors - Recognition**
 - U.S.L.A. S.E.R. International Surf Lifesaving Challenge Team Members**
 - U.S.L.A. S.E.R. Regional - Team Male/Female High point winners**
- ♦ **F.B.P.C.A. Lifetime Member Award**
- ♦ **F.B.P.C.A. Lifetime Achievement**
- ♦ **Florida's "Lifeguard of The Year" Past and Present – Recognition**
- ♦ **Florida's "Beach Patrol of The Year" Past and Present – Recognition**

U.S.L.A S.E.R. 2018 - 2019 Executive Officers- Recognition

- PRESIDENT – Gerry Falconer

VICE PRESIDENT – Jim McCrady

TREASURER – Jo Wagenhals

SECRETARY – Jeremy Watkins

ADVISOR – Breck Ballou
- 1ST EXEC DELEGATE – Alan Holt

2ND EXEC DELEGATE – Eisen Witcher

3RD EXEC DELEGATE – Chris Nowviskie

4TH EXEC DELEGATE – Scott Hansson
- Competition – Jim McCrady

Juniors – Chris Nowviskie

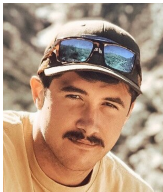
Membership– Karissa Ickes

Public Education – Jo Wagenhals

In memory of:



Scott Ventura Miami-Dade County//City of Sunny Isles
October 17, 1965 - December 27, 2019



Thomas O’Conner Clearwater Beach Patrol//Palm Beach County
August 8 1994-February 13 2020



Richard Arnold Loop Pompano Beach
July 9,1964 - November 29,2019



Norman R Owens Pompano Beach
December 5, 1934 - August 25, 2019

		Hollywood	George Glover
Robert Ormston	Hollywood		
		Hollywood	William Fox
David Carpenter	Hollywood		

U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 25 Year Lifesaving Service Awards

Johnathan Billings	Indian River County	Allen Reed	Fort Lauderdale
Eric Carson	Indian River County	Scott Demarest	Delray Beach
Shaun Gibson	Deerfield Beach	Mark Saville	Delray Beach
Matt Gilligan	Indian River County	Regis Smeltz	Delray Beach
Chris Henderson	Indian River County	Steve Zickl	Delray Beach
Mark Henkle	Delray Beach	Alan Beech	Hollywood
Wes Price	Palm Beach County	Richard Fiorillo	Hollywood
Steve Bean	Fort Lauderdale	Kevin Channer	Hollywood
Matthew Parnass	Fort Lauderdale		
Allen Reed	Fort Lauderdale		

U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 30 Year Lifesaving Service Awards

Brad Beckett	Martin County	Dan Elward	Indian River County
John Handlen	Martin County	John Frazier	Indian River County
Brian Bencie	Fort Lauderdale	Aaron Levy	Inidan River County
Paul Davis	Fort Lauderdale	Collin Schmidt	Manatee County
David DiFilippo	Fort Lauderdale	Joe Westerman	Manatee County
Scot Fowler	Fort Lauderdale	Jeff Epstein	Hollywood
Robin Harvey	Fort Lauderdale	Eddie Robledo	Hollywood
William Radwanski	Fort Lauderdale	Bruce Wilkie	Hollywood
Wade Rickerson	Fort Lauderdale	Leo Yost	Hollywood
Chris McCrady	Fort Lauderdale	Ed Perrin	Hollywood
Jim McCrady V	Fort Lauderdale	Catherine Laucella	Hollywood
Tracie Moll	Fort Lauderdale		
John Dotsey	Indian River County		

U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 35 Year Lifesaving Service Awards

Breck Ballou	Fort Lauderdale	Thomas Dollinger	Hollywood
Eric Feld	Delray Beach	Louis Desimone	Hollywood
Phil Wotton	Delray Beach	Vincent Giofre	Hollywood
Salvatore Polistina	Hollywood	Grayson Money	St. Lucie County

U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 40 Year Lifesaving Service Awards

Joe Peloquin	Palm Beach County
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U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 45 Year Lifesaving Service Awards

Gregory Wolfe	Fort Lauderdale
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U.S.L.A. S.E.R. 50+ Year Lifesaving Service Awards

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F.B.P.C.A. Heroic Act Award Award

Ian Mackinnon & Keegan Mackinnon

On Sunday October 13, 2019 Ian MacKinnon and his two sons were visiting Santa Lucia Beach, an un-guarded beach in Martin County. Son Keegan, 14 years old, was skim boarding north of where his father and brother were located when he identified three swimmers caught in a rip current and ran seventy-five yards back to his father to inform him of the situation. Ian MacKinnon grabbed his fins and entered the 4'-6' surf to rescue the first of two victims he saw approximately 125 feet from shore.



Once onshore with the second victim Ian spotted the third victim seventy-five yards offshore. As Ian approached the third victim, he showed signs of complete exhaustion but was able to voice concern for his two friends. Ian informed him that they were safe on the beach and proceeded to tow the victim south for fifteen yards to exit the rip and then the seventy five yards back to the shoreline. Ian credits the positive outcome to Keegan identifying the threat and his ability to rapidly and assertively communicate this to his father. It is without doubt that Ian Mackinnon's physical ability and his preparedness (bringing his fins to the beach each and every visit), were key factors to a successful rescue.

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F.B.P.C.A. President's Award

Dr. Andrew Schmidt, DO, MPH

Dr. Schmidt began his lifeguarding career started in 1999 at Ponte Vedra Inn & Club, where he guarded for 5 years and served as a Lieutenant. He then went on to join Jacksonville Beach Ocean Rescue and the Volunteer Lifesaving Corps, where he served as an EMT/Rescue Swimmer and Assistant Instructor. In 2007, after co-founding Lifeguards Without Borders, he began medical school at Nova Southeastern University, graduating in 2011. He then completed his residency in emergency medicine at UF Jacksonville, during which he continued as a volunteer lifeguard. After completing residency, he stayed on faculty with UF Jacksonville and started his role as Medical Officer to the Volunteer Lifesaving Corps and Medical Director for Jacksonville Beach Ocean Rescue. He continues to serve in those roles today, as well as Deputy Medical Director for TraumaOne Flight Services. He is an honorary member of the International Drowning Researchers Alliance and a lead instructor with Surfing Medicine International. Dr. Schmidt is the epitome of 'Lifeguard for Life' and he is well deserving of the President's Award from the Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association.



F.B.P.C.A. Special Recognition Award

Captain Mike Tricarico, Lieutenant Frank Roper, Lifeguard Mike Morrill

On November 12 2019 at 2:22pm, Lake Worth Ocean Rescue received a call from Palm Beach County Lifeguard Barron Knowlton reporting the possibility of someone jumping of the end of the Lake Worth Pier. Mr. Knowlton stationed at Kreusler Park that day, just happened to see a large splash at the end of the pier. Due to its length, visibility of the eastward end of the pier is blocked. Palm Beach County Guards stationed at Kreusler Park have a much better angle and can view of the end of the pier with less obstruction.

Lake Worth Beach Captain Mike Tricarico stationed at Tower 3 on the South side of the pier that day received the call and immediately activated the EAP. Within seconds, Lake Worth Lieutenant Frank Roper was in the water on the rescue board paddling out as Captain Tricarico was sprinting down the pier. Due to the panicked scene on the pier, Captain Tricarico immediately realized the call was legitimate. From up on the pier Mike spotted a shadow on the bottom that he presumed to be the jumper. Tricarico signaled submerged swimmer, called for backup over the radio and leapt from the pier entering the water. Once in the water the shadow became much more difficult to spot. Roper was just reaching the end of the pier on the rescue board at this time, Roper and Tricarico both began an underwater search diving numerous times trying to locate the victim. Conditions that day were not the best. Yellow flag, 2-foot chop with poor visibility and a moderate current. After a two or three minute search, Roper and Tricarico spotted the victim on the bottom 30ft down next to one of the pier pylons. Winded and out of breath from the sprint (500yards) both attempted numerous times to reach the victim, each time coming up short with the victim remaining just out of reach.

At that moment, Lifeguard Mike Morrill reached the end of the pier. Morrill surveyed the scene immediately leaping from the pier entering the water. All three guards now in the water, Roper, Tricarico and Morrill began an organized attempt at recovery. Taking turns diving giving each other recovery time Mike Morrill was able to make a last ditch effort and make it down to the victim. Mike Morrill surfaced with the victim and all guards assisted positioning the victim on the rescue board. Tricarico's Initial assessment revealed the patient was nonresponsive, not breathing and no pulse. Frank Roper made the long paddle back in with the patient where other responding members of the Lake Worth lifeguard team met him at the shoreline and quickly removed the victim from the water. Patient care was immediately handed over to Palm Beach County Fire Rescue, which was already on scene.

Witness's testimony and video footage later revealed the victim walked to the end of the pier removed his clothes and jumped, never once surfacing or yelling while sinking straight to the bottom. The entire response took a total of 12 minutes from beginning to end. Considering the distance of the rescue (900 yards total), conditions of the day and water depth this response could not have gone any better. The actions taken November 12, 2019 by Lake Worth Beach Ocean Rescue Guards Captain Mike Tricarico, Lieutenant Frank Roper and Lifeguard Mike Morrill deserve recognition of their actions. Without a doubt, any chance this person may have had for survival would not have been possible without lifeguards who can think fast and respond quickly under pressure. Mike Tricarico, Frank Roper and Mike Morrill are the type of lifeguards beach patrons can count on , they will go out and help when the time comes under any conditions....

Always Ready, Proud to Serve



**INDIAN RIVER
COUNTY**



Lifeguards for Life!



U.S.L.A. National Team Members

International Surf Rescue Challenge (Durban, South Africa *October 2019*)

Stephanie Eisenring	Deerfield & Pompano
Casey Francis	Fort Lauderdale
Hallie Petersohn	Palm Beach County
Chase Robertson	Palm Beach County

National Competitors

Recognition

U.S.L.A. S.E.R. REGIONAL - Team / Male & Female

2019 USLA SER Regional Top 10 team results:

1. Volusia County
2. Palm Beach County
3. Deerfield Beach
4. Boca Raton
5. Clearwater
6. Destin
7. Dania Beach
8. Hollywood
9. Brevard County
10. Fort Lauderdale

2019 USLA SER Regional Top 10 Male overall points:

Men

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Chase Robertson | Palm Beach County |
| 2. Boki Corsovic | Hollywood |
| 3. AJ Miller | Volusia County |
| 4. Bailey Williams | Destin |
| 5. Justin Gilliland | Clearwater |
| 6. Wade Rickerson | Fort Lauderdale |
| 7. JP Atherholt | Clearwater |
| 8. Matt Lynskey | Palm Beach County |
| 9. Dylan Narcowich | Deerfield Beach |
| 10. Gregory Laios | Volusia County |

2019 USLA SER Regional Top 10 Female overall points:

Women

- | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Stephanie Eisenring | Deerfield Beach |
| 2. Hallie Petersohn | Palm Beach County |
| 3. Alice Henley | Dania Beach |
| 4. Sherry Griffith | Boca Raton |
| 5. Lesley Shahan | Pompano Beach |
| 6. April O’Gorman | Volusia County |
| 7. Jillian Kenney | Deerfield Beach |
| 8. Shelley Griffith | Boca Raton |
| 9. Kim Murphy | Volusia County |
| 10. Kristen Ojito | Dania Beach |

F.B.P.C.A. Lifetime Member Award

Breck Ballou

Breck Ballou began swimming at an early age at The Silton Swim School, which was owned and operated by his family. He competed as an age group swimmer until 1979, when he joined the Glassboro State College Swim Team. Over the summers during college, Breck lifeguarded on the Jersey Shore. He started his lifeguarding career at Seven Presidents Oceanfront Park in Long Branch, where he worked for two summers. After two seasons at Seven Presidents, Breck transferred to Belmar Beach, where he worked a total of four summers. In 1981, he took a year off from college to work at Fort Lauderdale Beach. After graduating college, Breck returned to work Fort Lauderdale Beach where he started his full-time career in 1985. In 1991, he was promoted to a Fort Lauderdale Beach Patrol Lieutenant. In 2004, he was promoted to Chief. Breck hung up his guard shorts in 2019 when he retired as the Fort Lauderdale Ocean Rescue Chief. He now travels and spends more time with his better half, his wife Nancy.

Breck is remembered at Fort Lauderdale Ocean Rescue for leading by example. No matter the weather or ocean conditions, he always participated in the semiannual swim requalification. Even until the end of his career, he placed in the top 10 for the semiannual requalification swim. He competed on a national level in USLA events, where you could find him swimming or rowing. Breck made it a point to workout with the lifeguards on a daily basis, and do his “Breck Walk” at the end of the work day, where he’d walk along A1A checking in on all of the lifeguards.

Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association "Beach Patrol of the Year 2010".

Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association Executive Board member

2009 - 2010	Vice-President
2011 - 2012	President
2013 - 2014	President
2015 – 2016	Secretary
	Advisor
2017 – 2018	Secretary
	Advisor

F.B.P.C.A. Lifetime Achievement Award

John Frazier

His first experience in open water lifeguarding was while in Boy Scouts, while on the way to attaining the rank Of Eagle Scout. He taught the First Aid Skill award and the Lifesaving Merit badge while he was a summer camp counselor at Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation in Tequesta Florida. This was during his freshman, sophomore and junior years in High school. He was also a lifeguard there guarding on the Loxahatchee River those 3 summers.

Upon graduating high school he bounced around doing odd jobs then left for Gainesville Florida to attend Santa Fe Community College in 1986. After two years he returned home not knowing what to do in life. Spring of 1989 he went to one of the guarded beaches in Vero Beach Florida trying to figure it all out. While there he looked up to the lifeguard tower and told himself "I can do that". He went up to the tower and asked the guard "are they hiring"? The answer was yes, so he got all the info he needed and went directly to the Red Cross and signed up for Lifeguard Training and CPR and First Aid. 3 months later on June 9, 1989 he was hired and knew he was on the right path.

He was a lifeguard for 10 years before becoming the Ocean Rescue Captain in May 1999, he became the Aquatic Supervisor in 2002 overseeing pool managers and the Captain of Ocean Rescue. He found himself being pulled away from lifeguarding by the constant Administrative Duties and knew he had to get back to the beach. So in 2004 the Captain position became available and he demoted himself back to Captain, hourly wages and overtime, finishing his career as Captain on the beach with 31 years of experience. The only lifeguard to retire with 30 years in Indian River County. All with ZERO drownings or loss of life, under his watch as both a guard and as Supervisor. He hung up his buoy on May 2, 2019 knowing he made a difference.

Some of his accomplishments

1. Tough First Responder, Lifeguard Training and CPR/First Aid for Red Cross, 8 years.
2. Junior Lifeguard Instructor for 20 years.
3. Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association "Beach Patrol of the Year 2009".
4. 2 lifeguards of the year, Joe McManus, Johnathan Billings.
5. Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association Treasurer, 5 years.
6. Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs association North region VP 2 years.

FLORIDA'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

GERRY 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 – FORT LAUDERDALE

2001

MIKE BROWN – DEERFIELD BEACH

2002

LUIZ MORIZOT- LEITE – MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

2003

PATRICK McGLAMERY – BOCA RATON

2004

JO WAGENHALS – DELRAY BEACH

2005

JIM McCRADY – FORT LAUDERDALE

2006

DENNIS WARD – PALM BEACH COUNTY

2007

GIOVANNI SERRANO – FORT LAUDERDALE

2008

MATTHEW PARNASS – FORT LAUDERDALE

2009

JEFFREY WEBB NOELL – DEERFIELD BEACH

2010

JOE McMANUS – INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

2011

CYNTHIA AGUILAR – CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

2012

MITCH McCRADY – FORT LAUDERDALE

2013

JOHNATHAN BILLINGS – INDIAN RIVER

2014

JESSICA EARL – ST. JOHNS COUNTY

2015

CRYSTAL HAIRE – FORT LAUDERDALE

2016

LAWRENCE RUSSELL – PALM BEACH COUNTY

2017

ALEXANDRE O'CONNER - FORT LAUDERDALE

2018

ROMAN STROHMENGER – DEERFIELD BEACH

2019

RYAN KEITH – PALM BEACH COUNTY

2019 Lifeguard of the Year Nominees

Jamie Anderson (Delray Beach)

Ryan Keith (Palm Beach)

Lesley Shahan (Pompano Beach)



FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION 2019 LIFEGUARD OF THE YEAR

Ryan Keith Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue

Ryan Keith, Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue, was this year's recipient of the FBPCA's Lifeguard of the Year for the State of Florida. Ryan, a (17) year career professional was selected for this recognition based on his demonstrated distinguished performance within his agency.

Many job functions of an Ocean Lifeguard EMT simply cannot be performed without maintaining a high fitness level, both physically and mentally. Health and fitness is an essential part of Ryan's job and it is an essential part of his lifestyle. His technical competence as an Ocean Lifeguard is outstanding. He has mastered the skills that are required to be able to utilize all the rescue/medical equipment. Ryan has demonstrated his ability to work well under stressful situations and under pressure.

As a public servant, it is always necessary to maintain a good public image. For Ocean Lifeguard EMTs the way you look, speak, and conduct yourself in public both on and off duty reflects on not only yourself, but your agency and profession. Ryan has always strived to project this image and by example, has encouraged his coworkers to do so always.

Ryan is extremely hardworking, hard training, takes pride in his work, and strives to be the best at all times. His passion for the lifeguarding profession, a solid work ethic, and a drive to always be learning and bettering himself has been evident to his supervisors and colleagues.

His professionalism, motivation, and inter-personal skills have enabled him to be a valued member of our agency. Ryan has demonstrated his willingness to contribute in all areas of the operation (ocean mile swims, competitions, programs, special events, and public education). He has the knowledge, and communication skills necessary to be effective. From serving as a mentor to staff, stepping up in the absence of a Lieutenant, and performing his job duties at an exceptional level, Ryan has earned the respect of his peers and supervisors. Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue is fortunate to have a career orientated professional such as Ryan. He is deserving of this selection as Lifeguard of the Year.





FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

2019 BEACH PATROL OF THE YEAR

Recipient: City of Hollywood

The City of Hollywood Beach Safety Division safeguards 4.6 miles of beach. It is the longest stretch of continuously guarded beach in South Florida. We have 28 stands on the beach, divided into eight larger, two person first aid stations and twenty smaller, single person lifeguard towers. We have recently added another lifeguard tower that will be in service by the end of November, making for a total of twenty-nine stands on the beach. In 2018 we had 7.2 million visitors to our beach and we expect an increase for 2019 as some new, large developments have come online this year.

We have a staff of seventy-three consisting of full time staff and part time staff. Full time staff consists of one chief, one captain, one marine safety specialist, six lieutenants, and eighteen marine safety officers. All full time staff with the exception of the marine safety specialist are required to be State of Florida licensed emergency medical technicians. The marine safety specialist is an office administrative position with duties requiring computer knowledge, time keeping, and scheduling duties. Our part time staff consists of thirty-seven regularly scheduled lifeguards and nine on-call lifeguards. Our regularly scheduled lifeguards work a five day workweek of thirty-seven or thirty-eight hours. They receive health benefits and also accrue sick leave and vacation leave. They also receive a yearly contribution from the City into a deferred comp account. Our on-call lifeguards help us fill in positions during weekends, peak times and when lifeguards are on leave.

We run a 4-10 schedule from April to October with towers being open from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. On weekends during the 4-10, lifeguards work a longer day compared to their schedule during the 5-8 that we run during the winter months.

Our beach is divided into three zones, each zone is supervised by a lieutenant. Lieutenants in the north and south zones drive 4x4 pick-up trucks and the mid zone lieutenant drives a side by side UTV. The captain supervises the daily operation of the beach and he also drives a 4x4 pick-up truck. Each vehicle is equipped with a BLS bag, AED, backboard and rescue board. Each zone is divided into sections and each section is supervised by a Marine Safety Officer. Marine Safety Officers are stationed at the larger two person stands called first aid stations. They each drive an ATV equipped with a BLS bag and some carry an AED. Additional equipment includes pulse oximeters, glucometers, and several immobilization devices.

The goal of the Hollywood Beach Safety Division is to provide a safe environment where the public can enjoy the beach and the ocean on a daily basis. We do this through following established standards and practices, diligent surveillance, training and preparedness.

Lifeguards train every morning, 365 days a year. Training usually consists of running and swimming and on a regular basis will include rescue board training, back boarding, and medical training. Full time staff train during the 4-10 schedule which runs from April to October. EMT recertification is done at this time through a combination of online modules and classroom practicals.

Hollywood Beach Safety conducts school visits during the school year to provide local kids with ocean safe knowledge and career day information. We also conduct presentations for the local Rotary Club, Lions Club and Kiwanis Club. We conduct a yearly rescue demonstration for the Leadership Hollywood class put on by the Chamber of Commerce and we participate in our fire department open house.

Our lifeguard competition team is also well recognized nationally with our doubles row pair of Boki Corsovic and Jose Bolivar having won five national championships, four in a row, culminating with this year's exciting, close victory. We also have multiple age group medalists from the National Championships and Regional Championships. This year we brought home six gold, five silver and four bronze medals from the National Championships in Virginia Beach.

The lifeguarding tradition in Hollywood is a long, strong one dating back to the winter of 1925-26. Our tradition is one of hard work, tough training, competitiveness, and service. We have a strong relationship with our community and we are proud of our service to the residents and visitors to Hollywood beach.



FLORIDA'S BEACH PATROLS 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
2004
SARASOTA COUNTY
2005
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
2006
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

2007
TOWN OF PALM BEACH
2008
CITY OF DELRAY BEACH
2009
INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
2010
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
2011
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
2012
ST. JOHNS COUNTY
2013
BREVARD COUNTY
2014
OKALOOSA COUNTY
2015
VOLUSIA COUNTY
2016
PALM BEACH COUNTY
2017
MANATEE COUNTY
2018
CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH
2019
CITY OF HOLLYWOOD

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 the standards of training and certification. The Lifeguard of The Year and The 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 SOUTHEAST REGION

The USLA is America's non-profit professional association of Beach Lifeguards and Open Water Rescuers. USLA works to reduce the incidence of death and injury in the aquatic environment through public education, national Lifeguard standards, training programs, promotion of high levels of Lifeguard readiness and other means.

There are over 100 chapters of USLA nationally, each is affiliated with a lifesaving service located within a geographical region. Each USLA region has a President and Board of Directors.

Throughout its history USLA has been an organization of volunteer Lifeguards dedicated to improving the lifesaving profession and protecting the beach going public.



LIFEGUARDS FOR LIFE

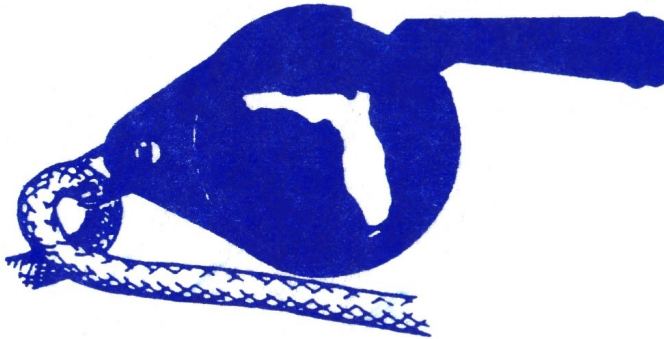


The Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association
and
The United States Lifesaving Association
Southeast Region
would like to say “THANK YOU” for the many years of support!



A special “THANKS” to all of the individuals and Ocean Rescue agencies who helped us officiate our special events throughout the 2018 Lifeguard competition season. As well as , all of those individuals (past and present) that have continued to work tirelessly for the inclusion of “Special Risk Retirement” for all of Florida’s Ocean Lifeguards.

We encourage everyone to support the
The Florida Beach Patrol Chiefs Association



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United States Lifesaving Association Southeast Region

Through your donations we are able to advance water safety education.

