

It's Safer on the Water Now!

A Boating Safety and Seamanship Class was held at the History of Diving Museum in Islamorada on 14-15 December. The fourteen graduates are now much less in danger of a maritime mishap. The intensive course was supplemented by comprehensive lectures by Officer Bob Dube of the FWC and Mary Tagaliareni the Deputy Director of The National Marine Sanctuary. USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 13-08 teaches this class every month at a local venue.


Monroe County has the highest rate of maritime accidents, accidents, injuries, and deaths in the southeastern United States. And if you think it is all those people from the mainland... be advised 47% of those involved are locals!



December class: Crawford and Allison Ferguson; John R Howe; Michael and Lauren Hynan; Parker Ferrie; Jennifer Ann Rickmann; Christopher Fletcher; Kevin and Elisa Hopp; Stephen, Sacha, and Rebecca Franks; and Matthew Moulin. For more information, contact Jim Marcotte at jamestmarcotte@gmail.com or call 850-291-6895.



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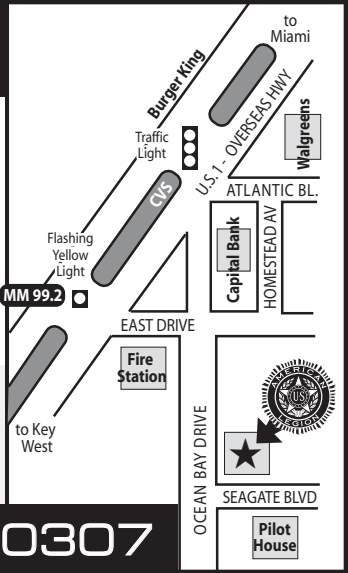
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VNA/Hospice Wins National Award

Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of the Florida Keys (VNA/Hospice) recently received Fazzi's Home Health Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) annual National Award of Distinction.

Agencies named as Fazzi's HCAHPS Top 25 are proven leaders that have excelled in one of the most important measures of an agency's quality program- patient satisfaction and for their work in improving the quality of home health care to the patients they serve. The award places VNA/ Hospice as one of the top 25% agencies in the nation.

"We are honored by this prestigious recognition," stated VNA/Hospice CEO Jody Gross. "It recognizes that our nurses, physical therapist, social workers, home health aides and companions are the best in



Lower Keys clinical and support personnel at Key West corporate office, center is CEO Jody Gross.

Monroe County. They are truly dedicated in providing the most compassionate, quality care possible. This award is in their honor."

Fazzi is one of the oldest, largest, and most respected corporations specializing in home care and hospice services and is the only national benchmarking service incorporating findings from its research and consulting divisions in helping to guide agencies in best practice strategies for improving patient satisfaction.

VNA/Hospice is an integrated agency that has been providing skilled home health, and hospice services to the residents and visitors of Monroe County since 1984. VNA/Hospice offers a full range of compassionate, effective, life-enhancing health and supportive services that enable an individual to remain in his or her home. For more information, call 305-294-8812 or visit VNAHospiceKeys.org.



Upper & Middle Keys clinical & support personnel at Tavernier regional office, center is COO Kathleen Ryzoc.

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