

Leadership Grand Strand Class XXXIII celebrates graduation



The 27 participants of Class XXXIII graduated May 4 from Leadership Grand Strand during a ceremony at the Dunes Golf and Beach Club in Myrtle Beach.

The evening began with a reception, sponsored by Santee Cooper, followed by dinner and the graduation commencement, sponsored by HTC. During the graduation commencement, Leadership Grand Strand also reported its new executive committee and Class XXXIII board members. The LGS executive committee announced the following officers for 2013-2014: O'Neil McCoy, chair (Class 30), Jeffrey Wisniewski, chair-elect (Class XXXI), Alicia Sanders, secretary (Class XXXII), and Brian Ferguson, treasurer (Class XXXI). Rachael Beckerman, Amy Patel and Todd Setzer from Class XXXIII were elected to the board of regents.

Leadership Grand Strand is currently accepting applications for Class XXXIV. Applications are available at LeadershipGrandStrand.com and due by June 28, 2013. Tuition cost is \$950 per person and scholarships are available.

The Leadership Grand Strand program begins in August and runs through May. Members meet for a full day every month for briefings, tours and seminars. Topics covered include health, education, law enforcement, cultural affairs, redevelopment, government and other important community issues. The class also participates in 100 hours of community service.

The leadership program is also currently accepting community service project proposals for the upcoming class. Projects over the years have varied widely from implementation of a conference to repairing homes. Interested organizations can find a copy of the request for proposal by going to LeadershipGrandStrand.com and clicking on the LGS projects link.

For more information, visit LeadershipGrandStrand.com or call (843) 916-7222.

Danny Isaac, Jr. named 2013 Ann DeBock Leadership Award recipient



Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce's 10-month leadership program, Leadership Grand Strand, awarded the 2013 annual Ann DeBock Leadership Award to Danny Isaac, Jr., president of A&I Fire and Water Restoration, during

the Ann DeBock Alumni Association Social following the Leadership Grand Strand Class XXXIII graduation ceremony May 4 at the Dunes Golf and Beach Club.

Each year, the Leadership Grand Strand class honors one alumnus who has exhibited outstanding leadership and service.

To receive this award, the recipient must volunteer in service or civic roles, serve on appointed boards or commissions, and exhibit an overall demonstration of effective leadership skills.

The 2013 award winner was born in Georgetown County, but his family relocated to Horry County and the Myrtle Beach area in 1955, where they owned a beer distribution company and later a dry cleaning business. All Isaac children attended elementary and middle schools at St. Andrews Catholic Church, an important part of the Isaac's 'tight knit Christian household.' Danny later attended Myrtle Beach High School where he was active in sports and other school activities and spent time with now lifelong friend Billy Alford.

Following high school, Danny followed in his father's footsteps and attended the Citadel, where he met his wife, Sally, who was attending

Graduates of Leadership Grand Strand Class XXXIII

Blake Arp

Burroughs & Chapin Co.

Lynn Bastian

*First Presbyterian Church
of Myrtle Beach*

Felicia Beaty

*Waccamaw Regional Transit
Authority dba Coast RTA*

Rachel Beckerman

*Ocean Lakes
Family Campground*

Shannon Castle

*Myrtle Beach Police
Department*

Hailey Clifton

Maverick Southern Kitchens

Bradley Daniels

Croissants Bistro & Bakery

Kim DaRoja

*Myrtle Beach Area
Chamber of Commerce*

Rusty Gaskins

KRA

Jay Hoodenpyl

Nexsen Pruet, LLC

Donald C. Hovis, Jr.

Springmaid Beach Resort

Elizabeth Howland

*Miller-Motte
Technical College*

Michael Jordan

The Brandon Agency

Dawn Kinard

*Coastal Carolina
National Bank*

Candace Klixbull

*Indigo Therapy
Specialists, LLC*

Bryan Lewis

Santee Cooper

Melanie McMurrain

*Children's Museum of
South Carolina*

Billy Nichols

Dunes Realty

Jennifer Overholt-Mau

*Horry Georgetown
Technical College*

Amy Patel

Conway National Bank

Jacob Roberts

The Home Depot

John W. Rowe III

First Federal Bank

Geoff Ruswinckel

Carolina Home Exteriors

Todd Setzer

*A&I Fire and
Water Restoration*

Ryan Smith

*American Medical
Women's Association*

Robert Stinnett

WonderWorks

Michael G. Thomas

ProTec Plus, Inc.



school at the College of Charleston. The two were later married and moved back to Sally's hometown of Marion, S.C. Danny's community service began there, where he joined the Downtown Merchants Association and chartered the Marion Sertoma Club. Eventually the couple moved back to Myrtle Beach, where in 1974, Danny started A&I Fire and Water Restoration with longtime friend Billy Alford and Daniel Isaac, Sr.

Over the years, Danny has worked tirelessly to serve both his business and community. A&I Fire and Water Restoration employs more than 50 people and covers coastal regions in both North and South Carolina. They have won six Chrysalis Awards, three 'Remodeler of the Year' awards, and most recently has been honored as one of the top fire and water restoration companies in the nation by Remodeling Magazine.

"I have had the great fortune of knowing Danny Isaac, Jr. since our middle school years, and we've been business partners now for 39 years. The key to the success of the company we started together has been involvement in the community. Danny has played a significant role in a number of areas throughout the city, county and state," Alford said. "He has immersed himself in the community and given his time and talents to make this a better place to live for all of us."

Danny is a graduate of Leadership Grand Strand and Leadership South Carolina and has served as chairman of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce board of directors and as a commissioner for the South Carolina Department of Transportation. Danny is also a member of the Northeastern Strategic Alliance and serves on the board of the Myrtle Beach Regional Economic Development Corp. Service

to Habitat for Humanity, United Way of Horry County, Myrtle Beach Rotary Club and Marion County Historical Society is also counted among his widespread volunteer work throughout the community.

The Ann DeBock Leadership Award was commissioned and started by Class XIX in memory of Ann DeBock, the executive director of Leadership Grand Strand from its inception in 1979 until her death in 1998. The other nominees for the 2013 award were Shannon Detzler of The Jackson Companies, Marilyn "Murph" Fore of Horry Georgetown Technical College and Marjorie Thompson of Carolina Radiology Associates LLC.

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