

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Marathon Garden Club, 5270 Overseas Highway, Marathon
Tuesday, April 15, 2008**

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**SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT
(adopted unanimously, December 6, 2005)**

The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council is an interactive liaison between the residents and visitors of the Florida Keys and the staff and management of the FKNMS. In this role, and with the understanding that a healthy ecosystem is essential to the economy and quality of life in the Florida Keys, the SAC will promote restoration and maintenance of biodiversity and ecological resiliency in the South Florida environment. We will strive to achieve a vibrant, ecologically sustainable ecosystem and economy through application of the best available science and balanced, conservation-based management.

- 9:00** **Call to Order**
 Roll Call
 Approve Minutes from February 19, 2008 Meeting
 Adopt Agenda for this Meeting
 Chairperson's Comments, Introductions
- 9:25** **Superintendent's Report and Agency Report Highlights:** FKNMS, NOAA
 ONMS Southeast Region, FDEP, FWC/FWRI, USFWS, NMFS, SFWMD,
 USCG, USEPA, US Navy representatives
- 10:10** **Public Comment**
- 10:25** **Chair and Vice Chair Election:** Primary SAC members
- 10:35** **Break**
- 10:45** **Sea Turtles in Waters Near the Key West Refuge and Marquesas Keys:**
 Threats, Vulnerability, and Mysteries: Mike Bresette, Inwater Research
 Group, Inc.
- 11:15** **Education/Outreach Presentation:** Mote Marine Laboratory, David Vaughan,
 SAC and Mote Marine Laboratory
- 11:45** **FKNMS Algae Bloom Workshop Synopsis:** Scott Donahue, FKNMS
- 12:15** **LUNCH** on your own

- 1:15** **Conserving Endangered Species in a Rising Sea: Management Challenges of the Florida Keys National Wildlife Refuges:** Anne Morkill, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- 1:45** **Mutton Snapper Stock Assessment Report,** John Hunt, FWC
- 2:15** **Working Group Reports:**
Jerry Lorenz, Ecosystem Restoration Working Group
- 2:45** **Public Comment**
- 3:00** **Break**
- 3:15** ***Acropora* Rule Update:** Ken Nedimyer, SAC
- 3:25** **Water Quality Protection Program Steering Committee Update**
George Neugent, SAC
- 3:35** **Unfinished/New Business**
- 4:00** **Adjourn**