



GROUND FISH INDUSTRY RALLY | April 29, 2013

PROGRAM AND SPEAKERS

- Thomas P. Glynn, Massport CEO
- Jackie Odell, NSC Executive Director
- Vito Giacalone, NSC Policy Director
- Richard Canastra, Whaling City Seafood Display Auction and Boston Seafood Display Auction
- United States Senator Elizabeth Warren
- United States Senator William "Mo" Cowan
- United States Congressman John Tierney
- United States Congressman Jim Keating
- Massachusetts Attorney General Martha Coakley
- Secretary of the MA Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs, Richard K. Sullivan Jr.
- Massachusetts State Senator Bruce Tarr
- Massachusetts State Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante
- Mayor of Gloucester, Carolyn Kirk
- Mayor of New Bedford, Jon Mitchell

NORTHEAST SEAFOOD COALITION SPEAKER PROFILES

Jackie Odell

Executive Director of the Northeast Seafood Coalition

Jackie Odell joined the Northeast Seafood Coalition as executive director in September 2003. In her tenure, Odell has consistently guided the NSC membership through significant and often turbulent fisheries policy and regulatory challenges. While representing the Coalition at the local, state, and federal levels, Odell works with the Coalition's policy team and Board of Directors to find real, workable solutions for the industry and NSC membership.

Vito Giacalone

*Policy Director of the Northeast Seafood Coalition
Third-Generation Commercial Fisherman, F/V Jenny G*

Vito Giacalone, a third generation U.S. commercial fisherman based in Gloucester, Massachusetts has over 30 years' experience in the fishing industry. He is the owner/operator of the 78' dragger Jenny G and owner of Fishermen's Wharf, a working waterfront shore-side property in Gloucester where BASE-Gloucester, an offloading facility which is owned and operated by his four sons.

Giacalone is the volunteer policy director for the Northeast Seafood Coalition. In his voluntary role with the NSC, Giacalone has been actively engaged in the NSC since its inception and leads the policy initiatives on behalf of the NSC board. Working in collaboration with NSC consultant Glenn Delaney, Giacalone has been fundamental in drafting NSC policy solutions to complex fishery problems.

Richard Canastra

Treasurer of the Northeast Seafood Coalition

BASE New England

Richard Canastra has been a longtime supporter, friend and board member of the Northeast Seafood Coalition. As the co-owner of BASE New England—BASE is an “Electronic Auction,” or a market exchange system designed to connect seafood buyers and sellers at different locations to one central auction—with his brother Raymond, Richard understands full well the economic impacts of the proposed Annual Catch Entitlements for Fishing Year 2013. He knows how science, management and the law impact the small businesses that depend upon the groundfish fishery.

In addition, Richard has been recognized as a “Friend of the Fishing Industry” by the Offshore Mariners Wives’ Association, and volunteers in many organizations in the New Bedford area, and is a volunteer pilot for Angel Flight.

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