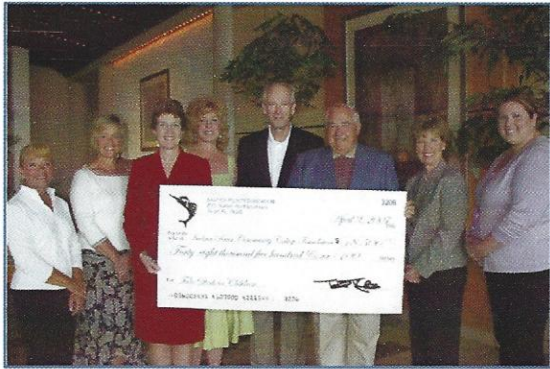


# Outstanding Group Supporting Philanthropy



## Sailfish Point Foundation Nominated by Indian River Community College Foundation

What started almost nine years ago as a project to provide scholarship assistance to some of the housing community's employees has grown to the Sailfish Point Foundation of today, an organization that represents a vibrant group of philanthropists who have donated \$1,270,446 in the form of scholarships and additional educational opportunities for deserving area students.

From athletic tournaments to its weeklong Events for Education, the Sailfish Point Foundation solicits gifts to support students in middle school, high school, and college. Younger students benefit from this group's generosity as well. Thanks to the Sailfish Point Foundation during 2005 and 2006, 120 third graders in Martin County were provided with a summer reading enrichment program, Readers Rule. During the summer-long program, third graders who have not yet mastered the reading skills necessary to move forward to the 4th grade spent daily sessions reading with teachers and volunteers. Each of the participants received books to take home and begin their own libraries.

Over the last seven years the educational partnership with the Indian River Community (IRCC) Foundation has grown from an initial grant of \$353 to provide a scholarship to a Sailfish Point employee to a total of \$357,948 in direct gift support for 118 students enrolled at IRCC. In 2003, after learning more about the President's Challenge/Take Stock in Children Scholarship Program, the Sailfish Point Foundation provided a direct gift in the amount of \$44,000 to pay for four-year college tuition scholarships to economically disadvantaged middle and high school students in Martin County. Recipients who demonstrate financial need are presented with a challenge to remain in school and out of trouble with drugs and alcohol. Upon graduation from high school, they are presented with two years of tuition at IRCC followed by two years at a state university. Since 2003, the Sailfish Point Foundation has funded this program with a total of \$185,050 in direct gift support.