

Piraeus, 08/08/2019

Dear Propeller Club Member,

The Board of Governors of the International Propeller Club of the United States, Port of Piraeus, in co-operation with the U.S. Embassy in Athens and the U.S. Coast Guard, invite you to the forthcoming 2019 AMVER Award Ceremony which will take place on Friday, November 1st, 2019, at 19:00 hrs at the Athenaeum Intercontinental Hotel.

The AMVER System, sponsored by the United States Coast Guard, is a unique, computer-based and voluntary global ship reporting system used worldwide by search and rescue authorities to arrange for assistance to persons in distress at sea.

With AMVER, rescue coordinators can identify participating ships in the area of distress and divert the best suited ship to respond. In an emergency, any rescue coordination center can request this data to determine the relative position of AMVER ships near the distress location. There are more than 5,000 ships available to perform search and rescue services every day.

Every year, Greek owned and managed vessels save or participate in saving thousands of lives equivalent to the population of a small town. The only way to continue and improve on this success is by the increased enrollment of vessels in the system, thereby improving the chances of a vessel being located near the position of distress.

AMVER event's proceeds will, as always, directly sponsor our fundraising needs, according to our charity mission and will further support studies of exceptional Greek students duly selected from seafarers' families, the Fulbright Foundation etc; same will also support environmental clean-up campaigns; award Bravery, Innovation, Sustainability and Excellence in the Greek community etc. and will materially contribute to the noble enshrined principles of the Club.

The Ceremony will commence with a cocktail reception at **19:00** hrs, to be followed by dinner concurrently with the presentation of AMVER Awards and the Rescue Awards to ship management companies that participated in difficult operations of saving lives at sea. This annual maritime event continues to grow in size and prestige each year and offers a unique opportunity to the members of the shipping community to meet, network and enjoy a pleasant and memorable evening, whether at the VIP drinks or at the seated dinner, complemented by videos, art, music, dance and other happenings, which are aiming to the bonding of the Maritime and Business Community.

We warmly encourage you to invite members of your staff, business associates, friends and family hosting them by reserving a table, and thus, expressing your gratitude towards them. Furthermore we would be delighted to have you and your staff becoming member of this Club and actively participate to its mission joining forces towards its perpetual commitment to saving life at sea, in conjunction to philanthropy, nobleness, integrity and gratitude extended to the local, as well as to the international Maritime and Business Community from every angle and to every member of same.

Contribution is as follows: **Propeller Club Member: € 150 – Non-Member: € 200**

Tables of ten or twelve can be reserved. Please, contact the Propeller Club in order to purchase your tickets (tel. 210-42.90.976 / 210-42.90. 237, [info@propellerclub.gr](mailto:info@propellerclub.gr) ) before noon on October 25th, 2019.

We look forward to seeing you at the Ceremony.

Best Regards,



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