

# ***SEASWORTHY***

*November 8, 2005*

*A Newsletter for the Bergen Chapter of  
The Society for the Education of American Sailors*

(Membership Application blanks available [http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/join\\_us.htm](http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/join_us.htm))

## **Calendar of Events:**

**General Meeting:** November 23, 2005, American Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood, NJ 07450, 7:30 pm.

**Keelboat Meeting:** November 22, 2005, Pat Sisti's, 7 p.m.

**Holiday Party:** December 9, 2005, Elsie Marangi's, see the Minutes for more details

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen, October 26, 2005**

*Submitted by Pat Sisti*

Meeting called to order by Commodore Dave Stern at 19:40. 20 members present. Minutes of previous meeting approved as read.

### **TREASURER REPORT:** Maxine House:

- Certificate of Deposit rolled over at more favorable rate.
- Walt Tuers advised Treasurer to keep financial records 4 years.
- Maxine will inform insurance company of present location of boats.
- Walt Tuers volunteered to audit books.

### **EDUCATION:** Matt Jacobs

- Discussions included: fireside chat where members get together to discuss a topic at someone's home, using a sailing or weather video as the after-meeting education, publicizing a topic ahead so all may participate, and holding discussions on news/magazine articles.
- Sails for teaching boats to be cleaned before storage. Matt will do inventory of sail locations.

### **MEMBERSHIP:** Louise Hauser

- Grace Slingerland was introduced as a new member, and Paul Duggan, former member, was welcomed back.

### **PUBLICITY:** Matt will ask Jamie Clark to chair.

### **KEELBOAT:**

- Hi Seas will come out of the water as soon as Samalot can do it. Spring launch date set for week of May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **NATIONAL:**

- Annual meeting scheduled for Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am to 3:00pm. Teri will be food chair.
- Nominees for National award may be submitted to Louise Hauser.

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### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen, October 26, 2005 (continued):**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Web site: new mailbox set up; links have apparently been tampered with resulting in older versions being reposted and eliminating newer revisions; for address changes, go to calendar page and send email to Matt.
- Nominees for Bergen award may be submitted to Louise Hauser.
- Christmas party to be held at Elsie Marangi's home again this year. December 9<sup>th</sup>, Friday. *LET ELSIE KNOW WHAT YOUR FOOD/BEVERAGE CONTRIBUTION WILL BE WHEN YOU RSVP. 201-444-5496.*

**ELECTIONS:** Secretary cast the vote for the nominated slate. Walt Tuers inducted the slate for 2006.

Meeting adjourned at 20:45. Next meeting **NOVEMBER 23, 2005 at 7:30 pm.**

Following the meeting, Dave Stern led a discussion on the basics of celestial navigation.

#### **The Scoop on the Fall Frolic**

*By Pat Sisti*

Despite wind gusts that threatened to blow us away and did indeed keep Hi Seas from leaving the slip, lively spirit and friendship prevailed at the Fall Frolic on October 16<sup>th</sup>. We had a nice turnout, and visitors from two other chapters showed up to join us also. The food was excellent and the décor sported a colorful autumn theme; all thanks to Terri Detoli and Betty Keller. This year continued the tradition of a fun get together in a setting we all love....by the water. We're eager to start planning for the spring outing.

#### **Got Web Site Stuff?**

*By Matt Jacobs*

Please send it to [Matt Jacobs](mailto:Matt.Jacobs@sailseas.com), for compilation and don't forget to check out the website <http://www.sailseas.com/bergen>.

#### **Daffy Definition for the month**

Submitted by Betty

Gunwale – Upper edge of the side of a boat, pronounced “gunnel”, “gunnl”, “gnl”, or “gn”. Many people have difficulty mastering nautical pronunciation. The effect is to aim for a cross between train announcements and the sounds that come from patients in dentists' chairs. Remember properly delivered nautical commands must be incomprehensible to the person toward whom they are directed even when they are accompanied by clear hand signals or pantomime indicating a desired action.

*Note from the Editor:*

*Thanks again to all who submitted articles. The submission deadline for our next issue will be **Tuesday, December 5**. Anyone may submit articles by e-mail to [obiesail@optonline.net](mailto:obiesail@optonline.net).*

Bergen Officers and National Representatives (note, the names of those newly elected will appear in the next issue):

Commodore – Dave Stern  
Vice Commodore – Bob English and Matt Jacobs  
Secretary - Pat Sisti  
Treasurer - Maxine House  
Trustee to 2005 - Bob Schneider  
Trustee to 2006 - Jeff Levy  
Trustee to 2007 – Louise Hauser  
Past Commodore – Walt Tuers  
National Representatives - Jo Ann Byrnes, Betty Keller, Jeff Levy, Maggie Peterffy, and Louise Hauser

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