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April 10, 2004

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

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

(Membership Application blanks available http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/join_us.htm)

Calendar of Events:

General Meeting: April 28, at the American Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood, 7:30 p.m.

*****Note, this is a new location for our monthly general meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month through November 2004. *****

Keelboat Committee meeting, April 13, at 19:00. email Pat Sisti for directions: psisti@msn.com.

Spring Splash coming --- June 13th (with rain date June 27th) - \$10 dollars per person in advance, \$15 dollars at the door. Maxine House will collect funds.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES, March 24, 2004 SEAS BERGEN

Submitted by Pat Sisti, Secretary.

Meeting called to order by Walt Tuers, Commodore, at 19:35. Members present: 28. Minutes of the last General Meeting were read and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Maxine House gave report, total in treasury \$23,051. As of this date, there are 62 paid members.

MEMBERSHIP: Mike Pulaski introduced as new member.

KEELBOAT: Peter Kestenbaum reported on Keelboat Committee meeting. Full passes (\$350) and weekday passes (\$150) are available for 2004. Full pass holders are entitled to go on Friday night cruises free of charge if there is an open seat 48 hours prior to sail.

April 3rd will be the first maintenance day, then each weekend until launch. Week of May 3rd is launch week.

All "C" level skippers must be checked out by an "A" level skipper. May 15th has been set aside for these checkouts. If you miss this date, you must make your own arrangements.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 13th at 19:00. email Pat Sisti for directions: psisti@msn.com.

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES, March 24, 2004, continued:

Friday night cruises scheduled for: 5/21; 6/4; 6/18; 7/16; 7/30; 8/13; 8/27; 9/17.
Class on Hi Seas will be in June, date TBA.
A raft up day to include Hi Seas and members' boats will be held on a date TBA.

CRUISING: Monmouth Club is sponsoring 3 upcoming cruises: Key West 4/30 – 5/5/04; Narraganset 9/3 – 9/10/04; and Chesapeake on Columbus Day weekend.

NATIONAL: New roster made available.

NEWSLETTER: Latest edition not mailed yet this month. Joan Venezia will email copy.

EDUCATION: Instructors' CPR class has been held. Louise Hauser again requested a CPR assistant to help with classes. National will reimburse student up to \$100.

Schedule for basic sailing courses has not yet appeared on website. Bob English will ask Chris Ocker to work up a pamphlet on classes for publicity.

Following help needed on days of water class: General assistants and towers who have a hitch on vehicle.

OLD BUSINESS: Spring Splash picnic to be held June 13th with rain date to be June 27th. \$10 in advance, \$15 day of picnic.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion made by Jeff Levy, seconded by Diane Kollins, to offer one Basic Sailing Course to Central School, Glen Rock, for their live and silent auction. Good publicity. Passed unanimously. Keelboat Committee also authorized one Friday Night Cruise pass for the auction.

Meeting adjourned at 20:20.

SEAS Westchester Spring Cruising Course For Beginners

Classroom sessions: Wednesday evenings, May 5, 12 and 19 (7-10 PM) In White Plains Area

Sailing: Chesapeake Bay

Baysail in Have de Grace, Maryland, May 29, 30 and 31 (Saturday-Memorial Day Monday)

Boats: 34-36 foot Catalinas or Hunters (4 students/ 2 instructors per boat)

Cost: approximately \$300 + provisions

Requirement: Basic Sailing

Any students wishing to take the course and any instructors interested in participating should **contact:**

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KEELBOAT PASSES – GET ‘EM WHILE THEY’RE HOT

Submitted by John O’Blenis

The ice is off the river, the caribou have migrated North, and sailors are standing at the shore with a fond gaze in their eyes. Yes, it’s time again to grab your full or weekend Ranger passes. The passes have been going quickly, but there are a few left at \$350 for a full season pass/\$150 for weekday pass. If interested, please call Maxine House or John O’Blenis and have your payment ready (checks should be made out to SEAS Bergen) and given to Maxine or John at the next meeting.

GET WELL WISHES

Ginny Murchison, one of the founding members of SEAS, underwent quadruple bypass surgery last week at St. Michaels Hospital in Newark. She is now recovering at home. Although she isn't ready for company, cards would be appreciated.

Ginny Murchison
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*Note from the Editor: Thanks again to all who submitted articles. The submission deadline for our next issue will be **Monday, May 3**, mark your calendars! Anyone may submit articles by e-mail to obiesail@optonline.net.*

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – Walter Tuers
Vice Commodore – Bob English and David Stern
Secretary - Pat Sisti
Treasurer - Maxine House
Trustee to 2004 – Maggie Peterffy
Trustee to 2005 - Bob Schneider
Trustee to 2006 - Jeff Levy
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