

# ***SEASWORTHY***

*September 5, 2008*

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

## **Calendar of Events:**

**General Meeting:** next meeting will be held on September 24, at 7:30, Red Cross Building, Ridgewood.

**Fall Frolic:** October 5, 2008, details to follow.

### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – August 27, 2008**

*Submitted by Pat Sisti, Secretary*

Present: 18 members

Meeting called to order at 19:35 by Commodore Peter Kestenbaum. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Treasurer: Ed Marcus

- Funds available for expenses: \$7,275 General Fund and \$2,847 Keelboat Fund. No outstanding invoices. Received \$200 from National for Clearwater expenses.
- CD rates are up and Ed will come back next month with a recommendation.

Membership: Louise Hauser

- Present membership is 49.

Education: Dave Stern

- Winter storage sites determined; they are:
  - Jessa Kilgore –1                      Mark Sisti --1
  - Bruce Terrin –1                      Maxine House --1
  - Ralph Ocker --1

Keelboat: Pat Sisti

- Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> is the date set for the Fall Frolic picnic. Donations: If paid by 10/1, \$15 first family member, \$10 each addl family member, ages 10 & under free. After 10/1, \$20, \$15 & free.

Publicity: Peter Kestenbaum

- Peter will create a MeetUp site for North Jersey Sailing.
- Diane Kolins will print up some business cards for distribution.

National: Jeff Levy

- Approximately \$7,000 in National treasury.
- Several cruises planned, including Uri Goldinger's Thailand trip, which has open slots.
- There are 240 members across all chapters.
- The website is being moved to a new server.

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – August 27, 2008 (continued):**

Old Business:

- Diane Kolins reported that the Clearwater Festival table was successful in getting mailing info on 25 people. She had a slide show available of snapshots taken that day.
- Bruce Terrin was applauded for running a successful small boat sailing day at Monksville in August. Twelve people enjoyed sunshine and moderate winds.
- A suggestion was made to include next year sailors that are not from the recent basic sailing classes. These sailors could be re-certified based on their skills.
- As part of this discussion, a suggestion was made to have several keelboat days next year to attract new members. Jeff Levy offered Green Heron as an ideal vessel to hold more people. This would reduce the need to tie up Zephyr for several Saturdays.

New Business:

- Time to begin nominating process for coming year. Members of nominating committee are Jeff Levy, Maxine House and Pat Sisti. These three fulfill the requirement of one executive board member, one committee chair and one member at large.
  - Time frame:
    - September meeting: read proposed nominations and open floor to nominations.
    - Distribute names of nominees to all members prior to October meeting.
    - Vote at October meeting.
  - Positions to be filled are:

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| ▪ Commodore      | Secretary   |
| ▪ Vice Commodore | Trustee (1) |

Meeting adjourned at 20:30.

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Please submit articles for the next issue to [obiesail@optonline.net](mailto:obiesail@optonline.net) by October 9, 2008. Thanks.

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – Peter Kestenbaum  
Co Vice Commodores: Dave Stern and Sher Bauer  
Secretary – Pat Sisti  
Treasurer – Ed Marcus  
Past Commodore – Dave Stern  
Trustees: Matt Jacobs, Louise Hauser, and Maxine House  
National Representatives – Jeff Levy, Maxine House

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