SOUNDINGS

South Shore Neptunes' Newsletter JANUARY 2005



PAST EVENTS

The point dive which was scheduled for Sunday, December 12th, on Cape Ann was a no go due to weather conditions.

On Friday evening, December 3rd, our vice president, Kathi Bell, along with six other Neptunes took in The Company Theater presentation of Charles Dickins "A Christmas Carol". Prior to the theater, the group met for dinner at the 99 Restaurant in Rockland. Following dinner it was a short ride to Accord Park in Norwell to reach the theater. Both the dinner at the '99' and the Theater Company performance were very good and all agreed it was a nice evening out.

The regular meeting of the South Shore Neptunes set for Tuesday, December 7th did not happen because there was not a quorum present.

On Saturday, December 18th, the annual

Children's Christmas Party was held at the George F. Bryan VFW Post on Broad St. in Quincy. Once again, Tony Siciliani did a great job in putting together a great party for his crew and for our members's children. One of Tony's group is an aspiring DJ and provided the party with music. There was a raffle with a variety of prizes, among them a TV, a DVD player, fruit baskets, stuffed animals and more. There was a buffet and sweet table. Santa Claus made a visit and all the children received a gift. A good time was had by all.



The month of December closes out one more year for the dive club. It also is the month that we elect new officers for the year 2005. At the second regular meeting of the membership, held on Tuesday, December 21, 2004, the following members were elected to office:

President ------ Kathi Bell Vice president----- Tom Guild Secretary------- Martin Blake Treasurer------ Theresa Czerepica

Board of Directors

Ted Hotz John Blackadar Roy Chamberlain Bruce Gerhard Mike Trzcinski Angelo Correnti Doug Meyer Joe McAndrews

Congratulations to the newly elected officers. This is a big year for the South Shore Neptunes, our fiftieth birthday, and the the members will be depending on you, as officers, to make this a memorable year in the club's history.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The South Shore Neptunes annual New Years Day sober up dive will be on Saturday, January 1, 2005, and will again take place at Pleasure Bay Lagoon in South Boston. This annual event will never replace the L St Brownies, but then the 'L streeters' won't have the opportunity to catch themselves a lobster feed. This

annual dive is usually a crowd pleaser. The lagoon does have its cache of lobster and usually parts with a few to those hardy divers who venture into the water.

Remember, it is the new year and you must have a 2005 license. The Environmental Police are often on the scene. If you are unfamiliar with the Pleasure Bay Lagoon location, the easiest way to get there from the South or North is to take the Southeast Expressway and get off at the JFK/Columbia Circle exit. From the South, at the bottom of the exit ramp turn right. From the North, at the bottom of the exit ramp turn left. At the rotary take the second road which will take you along the shore. Follow the road right to the lagoon.

The after the dive party will be hosted by Marty Blake at his home at 238 Roosevelt Rd. in Weymouth. If you are coming by way of the X-Way and Route 3, take Rte 3 to exit 16A, Route 18. Now follow Rte 18 back to Weymouth Landing. Take Rte 18 to the 4th regular traffic light you will be at the intersection with Commercial St. The Sacred Heart church is on your right. Turn right onto Commercial St. Follow Commercial St. for 9/10 of a mile. You will come to Wilson Av. Turn right, follow Wilson Av. up to the top of the hill where it ends. You are now at the intersection of Roosevelt Rd. Turn left, we are the third house down on the left.

The point dive is Sunday, January 9th and it will be at Mound St. beach, at Town River in Quincy. Breakfast will be at 8:00 a.m. Mannion's Restaurant, Brewers Corner, Quincy. To Get to the restaurant, take the Southeast Expressway and get off at the Furnace Brook Parkway exit. If you are coming from Boston when you get off keep to the left and go under the highway. Once on the other side, go right onto Furnace Brook Parkway. If you are coming from Rte. 128 or Rte. 3 when you get off take a right at the bottom of the exiit onto Furness Brook Parkway. Go up to the traffic lights. Turn right. You are on Copeland St. Follow Copeland St. to the second set of traffic lights. This is Brewer's Corner. Mannion's is across the street in front of you.

Here at the clubhouse there are a lot of pictures and other hardcopy items which provide a lot of history of the South Shore Neptunes. Member Tim Niu has suggested framing these items and possibly hanging some of them from the meeting room walls.

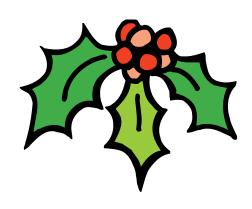
Our outgoing club historian, Dina Solimini, has suggested that many of the members may have old frames no longer being used or no longer needed that they might give to the club. If this is the case, you want to get rid of servicable picture frames, bring them to the club. We may be able to use them.

There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2005. At this meeting the members will decide dive sites and dates for dives and also dates for annual events held by the club. Why not plan to attend, your input is as valuable as anyone elses.

A reminder that the treasurer will gladly accept your dues for the current year along with a signed waiver which was sent along with last months newsletter and is available at the clubhouse.

2005 is an important date for the South Shore Neptunes. It is the fiftieth birthday of our organization. There has been a lot of talk about the fiftieth birthday. Now that the year is upon us this talk will be put into action. The incoming officers want to see this year as a year that will be remembered. Your help and input can go a long way in making the year a success.

As you probably noticed on the next page the annual banquet and awards night is set for Saturday evening, January, 29, 2005. The club will be using the same format as last year. which was well received by those in attendance. Also if you have any ideas or requests you feel would add to the success of the banquet please put them in writing and bring them to a meeting or send them along to the club either by e-mail or postal mail.



Annual Banquet and Awards Night

Saturday, January 29, 2005 Quincy Yacht Club Live Entertainment

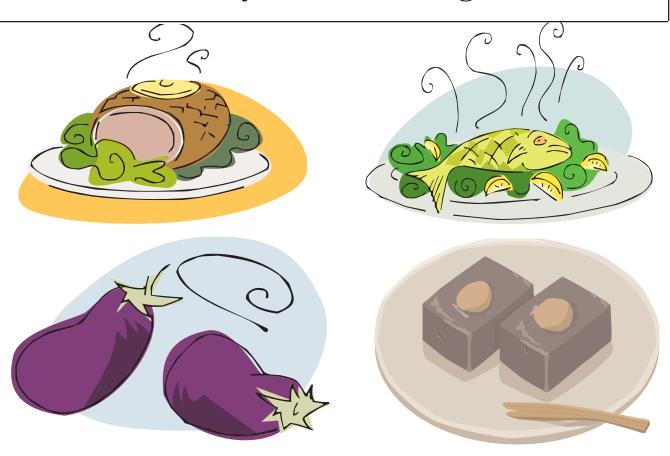
Cocktails: 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Cheese Table - Appetizers

Buffet Style Service: Entrees, Meat--Fish--Vegetarian Dishes Dessert Table.

Award Presentations Following Dinner: Diver of the Year & Competition Winners. Life Member Awards
Tickets: \$15.00 Per Person if purchased by January 20th.
\$20.00 Per Person after January 20th.

"Fifty Years in Diving"



JANUARY 2005										
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY				
All tides listed are AM high tides						Annual Sober Up Dive, Pleasure Bay, South Boston After Party at Marty Blake's, Weymouth				
2 HT 3:28	3 HT 4:13 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	4 HT 5:01 Regular Meeting	5 HT 5:54 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	6 HT 6:47	7 HT 7:43	8 HT 8:39				
Point Dive. Mound Street Beach, Quincy. Breakfast at Mannion's Rest. Brewer's Cor 8:00	10 HT 10:30 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	11 HT 11:25 Board Meeting	12 HT 12:08 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	13 HT 1:00	14 HT 1:52	15 HT 2:45				
16 HT 3:38	17 HT 4:33 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	18 HT 5:28 Regular Meeting	19 HT 6:25 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	20 HT 7:21	21 HT 8:15	22 HT 9:04				
23 HT 9:50 30 HT 2:09	24 HT 10:31 Underwater Ragby Linc-Hano Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45	25 HT 11:11	26 HT 11:48 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	27 HT 12:21	28 HT 12:56	29 HT 1:32				

FEBRUARY 2005										
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY				
All tides listed are AM high tides		1 HT 3:12 Regular Meeting	2 HT 4:01 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	3 HT 4:57	4 HT 5:59	5 HT 7:05				
6 HT 8:09	7 HT 9:11 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	8 HT 10:08 Regular Meeting	9 HT 11)2 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	10 HT 11:55	11 HT 12:28	12 HT 1:17				
13 HT 2:05 Non-Poimt Dive. Ice dive. More in Feb. newsletter	14 HT 2:54 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	15 HT 3:46	16 HT 4:41 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	17 HT 5:40	18 HT 6:42	19 HT 7:41				
20 HT 8:34	21 HT 9:21 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	22 HT 10:02	23 HT 10:39 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	24 HT 11:14	25 HT 11:48	26 HT 12:10				
27 HT12:42	28 HT 1:17 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.									

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REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS First and third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

Members, applicants for membership and other interested parties are invited to attend all Membership and Board of Directors meetings. All meetings are held at the Quincy Emergency Management Dive Team headquarters building at the corner of Quarry and Joyce Streets in Quincy. To reach the building take the Furnace Brook Parkway exit from the Southeast Expressway and follow Furnace Brook Parkway to Quarry Street (at the second set of traffic lights). Turn left onto Quarry Street and travel one short block to Joyce Street. The Dive Team headquarters is the small stone building on the right.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership is open to all sport divers and other interested persons. Application for membership can be made at any Membership or Board of directors meeting. Membership applicants are required to attend at least one Board of Directors meeting and after that one regular membership meeting. Membership fees are:

Regular member dues \$35.00 per year similarion fee \$25.00 one-time charge \$10.00 per year similarion fee \$10.00 per year sim

DIVER'S HOT LINE

Looking for a diving buddy? To find out who is diving when and where call Angelo Correnti at (781) 391-1034.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To learn more about the club's activities and membership please feel free to call one of the club's officers, or call John Blackadar at (781) 826-4696.

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