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Soundings Newsletter



More is Better 2012 is busy, busy, busy!

DATES AT-A-GLANCE

February 25: The Boston Scuba Show 10-3 Marlboro Holiday Inn

February 26: Monthly Dive Meet at clubhouse 8am

March 3: Dinner Night Out at Maria's; 5:30pm

March 6: SSN Regular Membership meeting 7pm March 10-11: Boston Sea Rovers Show, Danvers

March 13: SSN Board Meeting 7pm

March 20: SSN Regular Membership meeting 7pm

March 20: Third Tuesday speaker Matt Lawrence of NOAA

April 17: Third Tuesday speaker Mark Stanton of DIVERS DOWN

We've had a great start to the New Year. The Neptunes have enjoyed many successes in February beginning with the <u>Awards Banquet</u> at the Common Market. We had quite the crowd who enjoyed a sit down meal, diving for lobsters, etc and of the course the world renowned Bonu\$ Buck\$ which was won by Stephen Marshall! Following on the heels was the 2nd Annual North American <u>Underwater Rugby</u> Tournament where over 70 players participated coming from places such as Florida, Texas, NJ, CT, Montreal, Ontario and Boston. 7 teams competed and Quincy sported 2 teams! <u>Nick Fazah</u> of East Coast Divers entertained us for the Third Tuesday Talks with the ups & downs of Free Diving. We learned about deep water/ascent black outs (which is vastly different than THE DANGEROUS shallow water (hyperventilating) black outs). Nick even complimented us on our intelligent questions!

We have the next two month's lined up with guest speakers. Be sure to mark your calendars and come with an open mind and a desire to learn. And bring more of those intelligent questions!

Join us on March 3 at Maria's in Braintree for Dinner Night Out. We are meeting at $5:30 \, \text{pm}$. So far, we have $^{\sim}$ 14 people attending. Please let John Blackadar know if you will be joining the group.

On a more cautionary note, the Quincy Yacht club had an electrical fire causing ~\$200,000 in damages. Yikes! Be careful of those devices that you wrap around pipes to keep them from freezing...

THIRD TUESDAY SPEAKERS

March 20th, Matt Lawrence from Stellwagen Bank will be speaking about diving on the wreck[s] in the Sanctuary.

April 17th, Mark Stanton will be updating us on his adventures in the world of diving for TV and how is show, "Divers Down", is progressing/evolving. www.diverdowntv.com

THIS WEEKEND!!

The 61st Edition of THE BOSTON SCUBA SHOW

Directed by Alan Budreau with EMMY AWARD winners Kerry and Linda Hurd Feb 25, 2012 (10 am to 3 pm) Marlboro Holiday Inn (jct rtes 20 and 495)

FEATURING EMMY Award Winner: JONATHAN BIRD Fred Calhoun with a new film, Q & A, and lively commentary Alex Shure Saturday Night Ledge Plus Jerry Shine 2012 PAUL REVERE SPIKE AWARD

ALWAYS FREE PARKING

Tickets at \$20 available at the door

Our Heartfelt Condolences to Skip Weinrebe:

Whose mother passed away. Laura (Wensky) Weinrebe

WEINREBE, Laura (Wensky) 94, previously from Boston, passed away peacefully on Feb 6, 2012 at NewBridge on the Charles, Dedham. Laura leaves a son Abner (Skip) & daughter-in-law Agneta as well as many nieces, nephews. Laura was a 1937 graduate of the Forsyth School for Dental Hygienists. During WW II she served as a civilian in the Army Medical Corps at Camp Edwards, Cape Cod and at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. Following the War, Laura was the Dental Hygienist at Boston State Hospital, during those years she attended night school at Boston University, receiving a Masters degree in Health Education. Laura put her graduate education to use working at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Among her responsibilities at the Department was the coordination of the statewide fluoridation project. One of the great joys in Laura's career was assisting the hosting of the 1969 World Health Organization International Assembly in Boston, for which she received special recognition from the MA Legislature for her efforts. Laura was active in many organizations, including the Friends of the Boston State Hospital, Parents Without Partners & the Girl Scouts. After her retirement from Public Health, Laura returned to school & received a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies from Suffolk University & subsequently returned to work counseling veterans at the Boston Veterans Administration Hospital. Laura's Family especially thanks the staff at Tremont on the Common for who, without she would have never been able to live independently into her 90's and special thanks to the staff & residents at The Hebrew Rehabilitation Center at Roslindale & at NewBridge for their friendship & loving care during her last years.

BOSTON SEA ROVERS SHOW

March 10-11 in Danvers

We need help manning the booth especially on Sunday. The first meeting of March we will be gathering and preparing the club booth for the show. Give us a hand!

BAY STATE COUNCIL MEETING

Notes from November's Meeting:

The Treasure Hunt is going to be overhauled in terms of prizes and competition details. Transect lines so divers know when they are too far out; Keeping the costs down; Tables for clubs and merchants (no selling, just informational). Holly spoke of REEF and getting away from sheets — going on-line. Angelo is encouraging clubs to plan periodic joint dives (to meet new people, dive in new areas and promote more diving).

TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Join Jeannine and Jon for the Fourth Tuesday Night at the Movies. Each free Tuesday (fourth or fifth), Jeannine picks a movie to see at the Hingham Shipyard Patriot Cinemas. Movies are only \$5 all day on Tuesday! If you'd like to receive email notification of the movie night, email Jeannine at jeannine@gianninamia.com

MeetUp.com

Paul has started an event at MeetUp.com. Check it out (and sign up)

Get started with South Shore Neptunes Skindiver's Club (when you receive this electronically, you can click on the line above and it is a link that will take you directly there)!

COASTAL SWEEP COORDINATOR

Many thanks to Steve Marshall for his past years of service. We are **still** looking for someone to coordinate the coastal clean up for 2012.

NEWSLETTER

We are looking for your historical/hysterical moments in your life and times with the South Shore Neptunes. We are going to include a History Corner in the newsletter and we need your stories. We are looking for those moments that might be forgotten if we don't take the time to write them down and share them. Names can be redacted to protect the guilty...

TANKS FOR CASH

Keep bringing in that metal! Let's keep up the good work. Bring down to the clubhouse your old tanks, weights or anything that contains metal. We can make some good \$\$ for the club, but only with your help!!

NEPTUNES GEAR FOR SALE

BASEBALL HATS: \$15 COFFEE MUGS: \$5 POLO SHIRT: \$22 PATCH: \$2

STICKER: \$2 TANK TOP: \$9 T-SHIRT: \$16

The **Boston Sea Rovers** are proud to announce that we'll be hosting our full weekend 2012 Clinic at the **CoCo Key Hotel & Water Resort** in Danvers on March 9th – 11th.

Show Hours:

Saturday:

The Exhibit Hall opens on Saturday at 8:45am
The Daytime Program runs from 9:00am to 5:00pm

The Saturday Evening Film Festival runs from 8:00pm to 10:30pm

Sunday:

The Exhibit Hall opens at 9:15am on Sunday
The Daytime Program runs from 9:30am to 4:30pm

New location:

This venue, located less than 20 miles from downtown Boston, features fantastic amenities for exhibitors, attendees, and your family members. Here are just a few highlights in store throughout the weekend:

- Over 40 Saturday and Sunday Daytime Seminars, featuring slide and video shows from around the underwater world!
- World renowned Saturday Evening Film Festival, featuring the best filmmakers and explorers in the business!
- **Expanded Exhibit Hall** Featuring a half-day exhibit floor on Friday for dive industry professionals, with two full days open to the public on Saturday and Sunday!
- Free admission to Exhibit Floor Free passes will be available from the Exhibitors.
- Discover Scuba offered at the on-site pool.
- Advanced Training & Specialized Workshops from Industry Experts.
- **NEW Marine Environmental Art Exhibit** featuring works from local artist Michelle Lougee and national and international artists- sponsored by *Grand Circle Travel*
- Free parking at the hotel!
- Special Sunday Kids Programs, including hands-on interactive educational programs
- Danvers boasts easy access from all points, including Boston via major highways such as RT 95, RT 128 and RT 1.