



# NEWSLETTER and MINUTES SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 (via ZOOM)

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**MEETINGS ARE ALL ON ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!**

***ALL VOLUNTEER ALL THE TIME... NO ONE ON PAYROLL, EVERY DIME GOES TO THE PROGRAMS AND BOAT UPKEEP.***

***USE OUR WEBSITE EVENTS LINK ("Get Involved" button) TO SIGN UP FOR SAILS OR CONTACT THE SAIL ORGANIZER.***



## **SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOL DISTRICT SAILS:**

We sail with every middle and high school in the SF District system...Next sails **10/10;10/17;10/24;11/17**. Police are likely to be assigned to the sails again in Spring. On Golden Bear from San Francisco.

## **COMMUNITY SAILS:**

Community sails are continuing, and we have many new exciting programs:

1. SF CASA; On Aleta **9/21**, leaving from Dock K. Foster kids and their caregivers.
2. SILVER SPRINGS HIGH: On Bear, **10/22**. These kids come down all the way from Grass Valley for their day on the Bay
3. CDC sails are being set up by the tireless Chritina and will be on our events calendar soon.

Such people as Captain Jim, Christina and Kimberly are reaching out to even more community groups and that is one reason we have so many of these sails on the schedule. Check out which groups you would like to work with...!



**PROBATION DEPARTMENT SAILS:**

**ALAMEDA COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION:** Now in the middle of the current class, just finished overboard drill, have night sails and Aleta sails coming up. Great class. The swimmer was rescued by them in less than six minutes from splash down.

**EI DORADO PROBATION:** Captain Lee will be checking on their current status.

**MARIN PROBATION:** Christina is convinced she can get this program started in the next few months. Stay tuned.



**WOMAN'S SAILING SEMINAR WORKING WITH BLUE WATER:**

Using Aleta and arranged by Kimberly, she, Dennis, Andy and Maddie, will work the long standing Woman's Sailing Seminar in Alameda and will be training on board between 9/27-29. We will be an official sponsor and have a booth there...if any want to help man it or the boat? Sign up.

**SF PARK AND REC WANTS TO WORK MORE WITH BLUE WATER:**

The great people at Park and Rec, who won the Partner of the Year at our last party, have several events coming up and want Blue Water to participate...including the Lighted Boat Parade this holiday. Shannon will be organizing that....and will be posting events on our events page....and THANKS TO THEM! LIGHTED BOAT PARADE IS 12/13 and we need people to decorate the boat and sail it...on the Events Page...sign up!

REMEMBER OUR TWO BIG ANNUAL SOCIAL EVENTS: OUR RAFT UP TO HONOR OUR DEPARTED CAPTAINS AND ENJOY POTLUCK ON A WARM AFTERNOON ON THE BAY, ALL BOATS ATTENDING ON **OCTOBER 19**; AND OUR MAKE AND MEND DAY TO DO MINOR WORK ON THE BOATS, POT LUCK AND LYING ABOUT SAILING ADVENTURES ON **NOVEMBER 2**.

BOSUNS ARE TO MAKE A LIST OF TO DO FOR THE MAKE AND MEND DAY...REMEMBER THAT, BOSUNS! THOSE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS IN THE COAST GUARD...HELP US GET THE SAFETY GEAR TOGETHER?

## Training & Certification:

The quickest way to move up the certification ladder...and a lot of fun.

1. First Aid and CPR –Our next class will be on **NOVEMBER 23, BERKELEY YACHT CLUB**. FREE TO VOLUNTEERS, MUCH OF IT ONLINE, AND REQUIRED FOR CERTIFICATION AS CREW AND CAPTAINS. YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ON LINE PORTION BEFORE ATTENDING THE CLASS WHICH HAS THE “HANDS ON” PRACTICE. SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE EVENTS PAGE.
2. Certification sail on Bear **NOVEMBER 21, LIVE OVERBOARD DRILL**
3. Benjamin Walters has a live MOB drill on **NOVEMBER 16**.
4. ALETA has a full certification sail set for **NOVEMBER 9**.
5. And recall if come on a sail as a guest or crew, make sure the captain checks out your skills and you can move along the certification list.

MOVE UP THE CERTIFICATION LADDER SO WE CAN MEET THE NEEDS OF THE YOUTH.



### BOSUN'S REPORT:

GOLDEN BEAR: After much work and many attempts, the hydraulics cannot be resealed and we have to purchase a new plunger...the Board approved 3800 to do it and ideally it will be fixed in time for the next certification sails and the many school sails coming up.

ALETA: Captain Scott fixed the transmission leak (loose bolts) and she is now reliable as well as exciting.

BENJAMIN WALTERS: New bag for gennaker ordered...owner expense.



Captain Scott has developed a check list for Aleta for captains to review when taking the boat out and putting it away and Bear and Benjamin are doing the same.



## **OCEAN VOYAGES TRAINING**

Recall that Lee and other captains will be continuing offshore training in Benjamin Walters, next Spring probably...



**MARTY GANAPOLER** our treasurer since the Pleistocene has now transferred many of the duties to Richard but will continue to answer questions and assist as needed. As soon as his health improves, he promises to be back on sails....we miss him there.

**MONEY:** \$12,615 in the bank....if you can, donations are ALWAYS needed. All money goes to boats. And insurance. And Steve K has prevailed upon the insurance companies to greatly lower the "per captain" cost of insurance, cutting it by 60%. A big savings and Steve was relentless in his efforts...

Our President Shannon now plans the **President's Cocktail party for JANUARY OR FEBRUARY...a Saturday night in the City.** Get tickets on our [events page](#). Ideally, this will be both fun and a way to raise money...and we want both...come!

*Remember, we are a 501C3 and all donations are tax deductible.*



## **INTERNSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS: A PROGRAM YOU CAN JOIN AND HELP EVEN IF YOU STAY ON LAND:**

### **INTERNSHIPS:**

Internships give these students both experience and the beginning of a resume' that can open worlds for them. Jim Stanton is working with Matt Zarem to set up internships at Spaulding Wood Boat Center, dealing with students from Sweeney.. **Know a business that would like an intern? Get onto the committee.**



### **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Recall that **Sategna Foundation**, our longtime partner, working with Jim Stanton and Lee, have now sent two students with musical talent to the music festival in a village in Tuscany. We are now searching for the next student to go to Italy for a culture change that can change the life of the student. In the next few months Jim and Lee will begin the selection process for the next student.

Also recall that **Sategna Foundation** has agreed to fund an additional student for vocational or college scholarships once our selection process is completed. Josue', our last scholarship recipient, graduated Suma cum laud with a BS in



nursing from USF, was the selected student speaker at his graduation, and has agreed to work with Blue Water and Sategna to help others follow his footsteps.

**MODERN SAILING SCHOOL** has also granted two introductory sailing program scholarships to Blue Water. The Gift in Kind Committee selected Kimberly as the first recipient and she just completed it, saying it was very tough, exhausting...and fun. Ana is the second recipient and will begin her course in November. We will get two more such scholarships next year. THANKS MODERN SAILING AND LEIGH HUNT, OUR PRIOR PRESIDENT...AND PRESIDENT OF MODERN SAILING.



**Sailing opens doors...scholarships help students walk through the doors.**

Want to help? E mail Lee at [lstimmel@stimmel-law.com](mailto:lstimmel@stimmel-law.com).



**RECALL THAT THE PROTOCOL FOR CREW, STUDENT AND CAPTAIN INTERACTION ADOPTED BY BOARD.**

The board adopted the protocols for interaction months ago which are now on our website...be sure to review them before your next sail.

**ZOOM**...if you are not already on the registered list, go to our Get Involved link on our website and register to receive the Zoom invitation. Contact Captain David if necessary and he will give you a link... David Mischel [dmischel@gmail.com](mailto:dmischel@gmail.com)

**NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2024, 600 PM BY ZOOM.**

*We began in 1991...45,000 students taken to the water over the decades. Our first students may have grandkids by now!!! YOU CAN HELP EVEN IF YOU DO NOT SAIL...we are about the kids, not about just sailing, and they need your help.*

*Feeling cynical? Feeling like the world is getting grimmer, more dangerous, more upsetting? So...do something about it. It will help you to help these kids...and getting to know your crew mates in Blue Water is a very moving experience. It's quite a crew....*