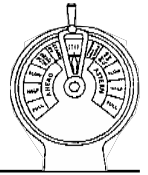




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## NE Region Fills Sails with Program Sea Explorers Haul Net Full of Fun

### Seabadge NE-8



On March 16, 1997, at 7 bells on the Forenoon Watch, 2M Bill James under assignment by Skipper Rafi Sharif declared the Seabadge NE-8 course concluded, ending a weekend of instruction, crew projects, Rendezvous-by-the-Pool, and great food and fellowship with shipmates from all over the NE Region. Twenty-seven learners (one from Germany) and fourteen staff that made up the complement of the Thomas J. Keane came to the

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### Delaware Valley Bridge of Honor and Sea Scout Ball CELEBRATES 15 YEARS Bag Pipes Herald Landship

Skipper April Maska, Pat Maska and Harry Ruhle took the wheel again and brought into port a Bridge of Honor and Sea Scout Ball that Northeast Sea Explorers and leaders will long remember. After a London Broil dinner, Ship II SES Seagull was called to service by the Emerald Society. No one was left unmoved by the thrilling highland pipes and expert drill of the landship crew. The most visible part of the Bridge of Honor was the Landship, displaying the binnacle, masts, flags, lights, and bells. All ship's company cheered as **Jerry Crabtree** was presented the Commander Thomas J. Keane Award and **Jennifer Mateo & Aimée Maska** and were presented the sterling silver Quartermaster medal by their fathers. Twelve crewmen were also presented the Explorer of the Year Recognition.(see page 9) When the landship was secured, the Ball began. The Queen of the Ball was chosen from the ship's company, the honor falling on **Heather Gibson** of Ship II, Verga, NJ. **Mike Duvall** from Ship 1009 was crowned King.



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## Regional Commodore's Report ★ ★ ★ Bruce Chr. Johnson

As I write this, my Ship is making plans for our Spring boat clean-up and restoration project, as well as getting ready for three different training events. Whoever told me that Winter was the quiet time of the year for Sea Scouting had to have been out of their minds. (Come to think of it, I can't think of what IS the "quiet" time of the year for Sea Scouting.) Elsewhere in this issue, you will receive reports on several exciting projects the Northeast Region Sea Exploring Committee is working on. Among them are the Basic Training Weekend, Seabadge training, SEAL training, several sales-related efforts, the Regional Boatswain, Task Force wardrooms, and of course, *The Telegraph*. We know that there's a lot more that needs to be done, but we're making great progress in building the resources to make Northeast Region Sea Exploring the best in the nation. I wanted to mention a few other items that fall either partially or completely outside the scope of the Northeast Region Sea Exploring Committee. Firstly, Sea Exploring will be exhibiting at the National Scout Jamboree this summer. At the time I am writing this (3 January), there are still eight openings for Sea Scouts to participate on exhibit

staff. The Scout must be 16 by the time of the Jamboree and we are encouraging her/him to have completed their Seaman Ordinary rank by then as well. The exhibit staff will include Sea Scouts and Sea Scouters from at least 15 states with all four regions represented. The cost for Sea Scouts is \$222.50, well below what the Boy Scouts will be paying. Additionally, we are planning several activities for Sea Scouts to participate in that should be lots of fun. If you're interested, give me a call (410-740-7204, or [bjoh@loc.gov](mailto:bjoh@loc.gov)) and I'll fill you in on the details.

Several Northeast Region leaders have been involved in developing a new Sea Explorer (youth) leadership training course called "S.E.A.L." (No, that's not commando training ... it's "Sea Explorer Advanced Leadership" training.) Skipper Jerry Crabtree will be holding the first Northeast Region SEAL course this summer on the Chesapeake Bay. This will be particularly exciting and worthwhile.

We hope to see Sea Scouts from throughout the Region participating.

The 1997 printing of the "Sea Exploring Manual" will be available very shortly. Everyone should plan on getting copies due to the large number of changes to the text. Also included are new advancement requirements (drafted

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# THE QUARTERMASTER BRIDGE OF HONOR

## SEA SCOUT SHIP II

Aimée Linea Maska

and

Jennifer Maria Mateo

**A**imée Linea Maska, born and raised in a total Sea Exploring environment since her day of birth, has come a long way in the scouting program since her first camping trip at two-days old!

During her years in Ship II, the SES Seagull, Aimée has been elected by her fellow crew members to numerous officer positions in her unit's Junior Quarterdeck. In her first year registered in Ship II, as one of the first cabin girls in Ship II history, she was voted to the position of Yeoman, where she served for a year and a half before being elected to Boatswain's Mate where she remained for three years before being elected to the position of Boatswain last year. During her time spent performing the duties of a Ship Officer, Aimée completed her Apprentice, Ordinary, and Able before completing **Quartermaster** in December of 1996. In addition to the rank she earned, Aimée was busy in earning her Long Cruise badge as well as her Small Boat Handlers Bar.

Within her council, Aimée was selected to receive the Exploring Leadership award in 1996, and within Ship II, she was voted to Sea Explorer of the Year in 1994 and Explorer of the Year in 1995.

Additionally, she was honored as the 2nd runner up to the Queen of the Sea Explorer Ball at the Annual Bridge of Honor. Also in scouting, Aimée has earned the Girl Scout Silver Award.

Outside of Sea Exploring, Aimée is very active in her school and community. She participates on her

## SEA SCOUT SHIP 272

Uche Akwuba

and

Aaron Singh

**T**wo New York City Quartermasters **Uche Akwuba** and **Aaron Singh** (both 18) of New York City have earned the rank of **Quartermaster** in Ship 272, Manhattan. Uche is an Eagle Scout and a senior at Fordham Prep who is planning to study medicine. Aaron graduated high school last June is working this year to earn money for college. Both young men got started at age 12 by joining the scout troop which functions as a junior adjunct to the ship. Each has been active part of the ship's Quarterdeck for the past four years, where both have served Boatswain. During the past two summers, both **Uche and Aaron** spend their summers sailing a sloop on the weekends and the long cruise; then serve Monday through Friday as hands and backup officers on the two working schooners at South Street Seaport. This will be the first time in Greater New York Council that two **Quartermasters** will be presented at the same time. Uche and Aaron are only the 6th and 7th New York City Sea Explorers earn the award.

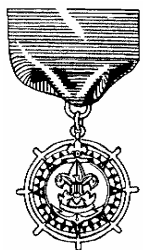
West Deptford High School's Varsity Championship Lady Eagle Girls Soccer Team, where she was named both Unsung Hero and Most Spirited for the 1996 Fall Season. She also swims on the school's Varsity Swim Team. Extra-Curricular activities which have also benefited from Aimée's participation are the Key Club, Students Against Drunk Driving, Foreign Language Club, Student Council Class of 1997 Representative, Homecoming Committee, Prom

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Committee, Overseas Trip to Eastern Europe, Annual Lip Synch Contest, Yearbook Committee, National Honor Society, and the Art Club, where she has won numerous awards at her school's Fine Arts Festivals. While occupied with all of her activities, she holds a high class rank of 41 out of 244 students and a 3.5, or B+ average. Because of her extensive work in school, Aimée was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students for 1996.

Her community, West Deptford Township, also has benefited for her participation, as she plays on her township's U-19 Women's Traveling Soccer Team and coaches the U-10 Girls Traveling Soccer Team. She has worked as a volunteer at her township's Field of Dreams construction project and has been a vendor at West Deptford Day for the past 6 years. Aimée volunteers her time as a Boy Scout counselor, Girl Scout counselor, Exploring Officer Association member, and the local chapter of the American Red Cross, where she holds certification in CPR, First Aid, and Lifesaving. In the summer, she works two jobs at local area pools. Now completing her Senior year at West Deptford High School, Aimée has been accepted to Drexel University and Philadelphia College of Textiles and Sciences, where she plans to enter in the Fall of 1997 to major in Fashion Design and play on the Lady Rams Women's Soccer Team. It has been a difficult task to earn the rank of **Quartermaster** in between the various activities, but she is pleased today that she has reached her goal of joining the elite rank of a select few who have succeeded to the pinnacle of Sea Exploring.

## Jennifer Maria Mateo



Having been reared by Scouting and its unique benefits, the strengths brought forth since the tender age of 6 have become a stronghold in

**Jennifer Mateo's** life. Not only has Jennifer been an active youth in numerous different genres, she has thrived on such activities and become a benefit to all she has encountered. A major driving force to her alma mater Ship, the SES Seagull, Jennifer has been a mainstay in the duties and

responsibilities needed for the smooth function a successful Ship. Joining as one of the first cabin girls in Ship history, Jennifer has distinguished herself in many ways. Not only did she serve as yeoman for a year, but she served as **boatswain** for three. During her tenure, she succeeded in earning the Long Cruise Badge, Small Boat Handlers Bar, and the Exploring Leadership Award within her council. She was also named Explorer of the Year in 1994. Not only has she earned these awards, but she also worked through the ranks to receive **Quartermaster**. On top of this, Jennifer acted as Rendezvous Boatswain and Co-Chairman for the past two DVYBA Regatta's and was instrumental in the success which eventually came together. In other scouting successes, Jennifer earned the Girl Scout Silver Award.

Jenn has dedicated herself to the betterment of her community as she volunteers as a Boy and Girl Scout counselors, worked on the West Deptford Field of Dreams, volunteers for American Red Cross where she is certified in CPR, First Aid, and Lifesaving. In the summer, Jenn is a lifeguard and works in a flower shop. Jenn has also participated in Trooper Youth Week, a law enforcement training weekend where she was one of seventy attendants chosen out of eight-hundred. Of those seventy, Jennifer was one of four to be chosen as a Patrol Leader. Jennifer participates on West Deptford's Municipal Alliance and is a part of the Police Athletic League Scholarship Committee.

At WDHS, Jennifer participated in Band, Choir, Lip Synch contest, and musical theatre. Outside her hometown, Jennifer attends Villanova U. where she is on the Dean's list in the study of forensics. She is a trainer for Villanova Athletics and active in the Student Activities Program. She also worked in the Special Olympics. Making time for **Quartermaster** activities and all the paperwork involved has been a trying experience for Jennifer, but she has been glad to have reached her final goal in the Scouting world which has been such an important part of her life for so very long. Jennifer now holds a special place in Sea Scouting!



7th ANNUAL  
DELAWARE VALLEY YOUTH  
BOATING ASSOCIATE SEA  
EXPLORERS

**RENDEZVOUS**

ATTENTION SKIPPERS. MATES.  
COMMITTEE AND CREW

That time has arrive again to make plans for the Sea Explorers Rendezvous sponsored by the Delaware Valley Youth Boating Association

DATES :

**JUNE 20, 21, 22, 1997**

PLACE: LAKEHURST NAVAL AIR STATION  
LAKEHURST, NJ

WHEN: 1600 HOURS - FRIDAY  
THROUGH 1500 HOURS - SUNDAY

CHECK IN:

1800 - 2200 HOURS - FRIDAY

COST:

20.00 PER PERSON

INCLUDES: 5 FULL MEALS; BERTHING WITH  
BEDDING, CLEAN AIR-CONDITIONED  
QUARTERS, AWARDS, FUN AND GOOD  
FELLOWSHIP!

Please make your decision promptly- berthing is limited. A \$40.0 deposit is required. The balance is due upon arrival, Friday, June 20, 1997. Make checks payable to DVYBA RENDEZVOUS and return ASAP, but no later than April 15, 1997.

Henry Smith, Purser. DVYBA Rendezvous

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**Bruce Chr. Johnson**

by Quartermasters from all four regions) and significantly expanded advancement-related materials. Make sure you get the 1997 printing.

We are also well on the way to finishing the text of a new, Third Edition of the "*Handbook for Skippers*." The last edition dates from 1971 and has long been out of print. Leaders from Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Florida, Alabama,

Texas, Wisconsin, California, and Washington State have contributed to the effort. There still is a lot to do to make the new edition available, but we expect to see it available some time in 1998.

The new Quartermaster medals are now available. For the first time in MANY years, the Quartermaster medals are being made of sterling silver from high quality molds. The National Sea Exploring Committee is providing all new Quartermaster recipients with a

beautiful presentation kit that includes the medal, a lapel pin, and a quartermaster charm. Ships may wish to use the last two as gifts to Quartermaster dads and moms. Individuals who already hold the Quartermaster and would like to purchase replacements must submit their request on a special form available from Bill Rogers, the National Sea Exploring Director, or from Commodore Johnson. (Sorry, replacement medals are not free.)

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Maritime Institute of Technology and Advanced Graduate Studies in Baltimore, Maryland to advance their understanding of the Sea Explorer Program, its aims, methods and program content. Leadership and Management skills were also stressed and ably taught by John Murray, George Vinet, Bill Sills, Bob Sirhal, Pete Armstrong, Marlene Gawrych, Jeff Murray, Jerry Crabtree, and Paul Riter. These sessions were all supervised by the Course Director, Rafi Sharif. The Regional Commodore Bruce Johnson attended the conference and reported to Ship's company as to the state of Sea Exploring in the Region. On Saturday evening the crew made a rendezvous around the MITAGS beautiful indoor pool with all

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Finally, for those of you who are hooked to the Internet, there has been quite a bit of work on the Sea Exploring presence there. The Sea Exploring web site (<http://www.sea.scout.com>) is now very well developed with a wealth of information on training, program, activities, awards, etc. All known Northeast Region Ships are now represented on the web site. (If you don't see your Ship there, then we don't know about it. Contact the Commodore.) There is also an ftp site (<ftp://ftp.scout.com/usscouts/SeaExplorers/>) with loads of graphics and text files for downloading. The most recent development is the inauguration of the Sea Exploring discussion group, Seascout-Net. To subscribe, send the following message to [listproc@scouter.com](mailto:listproc@scouter.com): subscribe seascout-net first name last name These are exciting times. Please let us know how we can serve you better.

## The BSA - USOC & U.S. Sailing Association Join Forces to Offer Sailing Instructors Course

The BSA has received a grant from the U.S. Olympic Committee to train Sea Exploring leaders in sailing skills using the expertise of the U.S. Sailing Association. The objective is to develop a pool of instructors/trainers who can provide additional skills training to both adult and youth member in the Sea Exploring program. This additional training should help the BSA attract more youth to the exciting adventures in Sea Exploring. The Northeast Region will soon be asking local councils to nominate individuals who would be interested in serving as an instructor/trainer in their council. Those individuals would then offer skills training in their area for interested youth and adults.

Members of the Northeast Region Sea Exploring Committee will select the final participants from the list of nominated individuals. Through the grant from the USOC, the BSA will pick up the cost of the U.S. Sailing Association course as well as room and board for the individuals selected.

Course dates are scattered throughout the spring and summer. Participants may select a course and location best suited to them.



*Bob Legg*


## Sea Scouting and Guiding

The **Norwegian Guide and Scout Association** will host the 5th European Sea Scout and Guide Seminar in Oslo.

Please note that the dates of the event have been changed to 23-25 May 1997. The seminar will bring together Sea Scout and Guide leaders from many different countries to share ideas, experiences and plan future co-operation. The proposed program includes: an overview of Sea Scouting and Guiding in Europe and review of previous Sea Scout and Guide seminars; new EU safety regulations for water activities; Europe For You ! and Sea Scouting's contribution; highlights from the Armada 1995.

For more information, or to receive your own copy of Euronaut, the European Sea Scout and Guide newsletter, please contact Einar Øslebye. Fax: (+47.22) 42 07 04 or (+47.38) 01 51 40.

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former Seabadge participants invited. The pool area was decorated in a tropical motif by Marje and Ivan Andrews, Bill & Carol James and Marian Sharif. This team also brought and prepared the food and drink which was well received for its clever presentation and taste. Hawaiian music played in the background as crewmen renewed old 

## Roll Call for SEABADGE NE-8

**ALPHA CREW** — Bill Cheesman\*, Susan Derk, Denise Stanley, Phyllis Brasher, Robert Monto, Laurence Bruck, Stephen Deatherage.

**BRAVO CREW** — Mary Jane Clark\*, Stephen Nichols, Nate Seymour, Samsara Gray, David Kneipp, Michael Sebastiano.

**CHARLIE CREW** — Raymond Derk\*, Leonard Little, Len Cleveland, James Klimek, Anthony Lorenc, Sara Gray, Phillip Williams.

**DELTA CREW** — Jannette Hall\*, Thomas Simiele, George Gray, Katie Sanders, Eugene Foley, Larry Leach, Ralph Klicker.

\*Crew Leader



## 3rd Annual Sea Explorer Training Weekend 17-19 JANUARY 1997

Ship 1009  
WINTER TRAINING WEEKEND

On Friday, 17 January 1997, 11 Sea Explorer Ships from Maryland, Virginia, New York, and Connecticut assembled at Camp Round Meadow in Catoctin National Park for a weekend of learning, fellowship and fun. The most popular classes this year were in semaphore, electricity, drill, Morse Code, Marlinspike, Ornamental Ropework, Ship Petty Officer Leadership Seminar, and Sea Explorer Speciality Training. An introduction to Celestial Navigation class was held this year for the first time and was enjoyed by several of the more advanced Sea Explorers. It wasn't all class time, however, and the Saturday evening dance in the dining hall and volleyball and basketball in the gym proved to be very popular. If your ship did not attend this year but might want to join us next year get in touch with Jerry Crabtree at 12409 Stirrup Lane, Bowie, MD 20715 (Telephone 301-262-0394

### The Regional Boatswain's Corner

Well, it's been an interesting year for both Marc Scimonnelli and me. As the first Regional Boatswain and Boatswain-Elect in a number of years, we served as a structured link of communication between the youth and the adults to help make Sea Exploring even better.

This past weekend at the Delaware Valley Bridge of Honor and Ball, I passed the torch over to Marc as the next Regional Boatswain. I have enjoyed the opportunity of serving Sea Exploring in this position and want to encourage the youth in the Region to continue giving comments to Marc on how you think the program can be improved. The program is really good now, but it can always be better.

I wish you fair winds and full sails.



## SUBMARINE SKIPPER QUARTERMASTER SEA EXPLORER SPEAK AT BRIDGE OF HONOR

On Saturday, January 25, 1997, the Fairfield County Council (CT) Sea Explorer Squadron held a Bridge of Honor at the First Church Congregational in Fairfield, CT. The purpose of the event was to honor advancement for individual Sea Scouts throughout the New England area. The event was hosted by Sea Scout Ship 101 sponsored by the Raymond Goldbach Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Stratford. The ship is lead by Skipper Richard Moewe and Boatswain Bret Crossland, both of Fairfield. Attending the Bridge of Honor were Ship 1 Westerly (RI), Connecticut Ships 14 of Brookfield, Ship 84 of Southport, Ship 480 of Portland, Ship 228 of Elizabeth, NJ, and Ship 272 of Manhattan, NY.

The invocation was delivered by Captain Andrew Krey of the Maritime Ministry of Southern New England. Commodore Roger Crossland welcomed guests and out of council Ships. The guest speaker was Commander Robert Brown, USN, from the Submarine Group Two, headquartered at New London, CT. CRD Brown has served as commanding officer of the nuclear submarines: USS Buffalo, USS Guittaro, and USS Albuquerque. He also has served as Pilot for the Deep Submergence Vehicle ALVIN out of Wood's Hole Oceanographic Institute. Commander Brown, a 1974 graduate of the

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**Harry Ruhle,  
Pat Maska,  
Skipper April Maska  
and  
Amanda Kellahe\***

were presented the  
**Exploring Leadership Award  
(Regional)**

by Commodore Bruce Chr. Johnson  
at the Delaware Valley Bridge of Honor,  
for their *exceptional service* to the great  
Sea Explorer movement.

\*Editor's Note: Amanda Kellahe has been  
accepted & will be attending the United States  
Coast Guard Academy

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Naval Academy, is a Quartermaster  
Sea Scout from Sea Scout Ship 37 of  
Stratford, CT sponsored by Raybestos  
Manufacturing.

"The knowledge and experience you gain  
while being a Sea Scout will be a great  
value to you as you go on in life,"  
Commander Brown said. "My love for the  
sea began with the Sea Scouts. We used to  
sail in Milford Harbor and later on Long  
Island Sound. My love for the sea grew as I  
got older and  
because of it I attended the U.S. Naval  
Academy. I urge you to continue to build  
on the leadership and teamwork that you  
have been taught so far. Whether or not you  
continue in the field as I have done, what  
you have learned will help you in all walks  
of life."

The ceremonies were conducted on a  
specially constructed "landship" with a  
wooden ship's wheel, bow staff, masts,  
lifelines, running lights, ship's bell, and  
international flags assembled in the church's  
Wakeman Hall. The ceremony observed all  
the traditional nautical customs and  
courtesies of Sea Scouting.



**WANDERING THE  
WORLD WIDE WEB...?**

There's a whole great big  
world out there in cyberspace.

*http://*

***www.sea.scouters.com***

This page can lead you to the  
official BSA Home Page, Sea  
Explorer uniform and supply  
stores, the Calendar for 1997,  
Adult Recognition, National

**Trivia:**

*What Chief Scout Executive,  
received his Seabadge  
Knot?*



Ben Love, He was a graduate of  
SB-NE-I



# Explorers of the Year

- Joe Pratt, QM, Eagle, Ship 90
- Anthony Enos, Ship 759
- Patricia Corke, Ship 39
- Michael Meredith, Ship 1009
- Benj. Quakenbush, Ship 745
- Adam Whelen, Ship 25
- Erik Orezechowski, Ship 178
- Blake Leedy, Ship 320
- Phillip Flores, Ship 4
- Allen Spitler, Ship 361
- Lynn Anderson, Ship 716
- Lisa Walsh, Ship 2



topics as preparing, goal setting, organizing, supervising, commanding, communicating, training, motivating and other topics that will assist you in functioning as a leader in your Ship and in life.

To attend a SEAL class you must be a registered Sea Explorer. **You must be Ordinary Rank by 1 July, 1997** and you must study and have a working knowledge of Chapter Five of the Sea Explorer Manual.

The SEAL Class that will be held on the Chesapeake Bay will run from **July 12 to July 19** out of Galesville, Maryland. You must furnish your own transportation to Galesville, Maryland. The cost of this course is \$100.00 including food and course materials. The course will be taught on a 44 ft power vessel in the Chesapeake Bay. If you are interested in applying for this course, please return the form below to Jeremiah M. Crabtree 12409 Stirrup Lane Bowie, MD 20715

## CHESAPEAKE BAY SEAL TRAINING 12-19 JULY, 1997 (SEA EXPLORER ADVANCED LEADERSHIP TRAINING)

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This course is a leadership course, not a seamanship course. The course covers such



*The National Jamboree would like to display large action photos or slides of your Ship. Contact Bruce Johnson and show*

## SEA EXPLORER SUMMER TRAINING WEEKEND 1-3 AUGUST 1997

**Sea Explorer Ship 1009** is holding a Sea Explorer Summer Training Weekend from 1700 on Friday, 1 August to 1700 on Sunday, 3 August at **Deep Creek State Park in Western Maryland**. We would like to invite any Sea Explorer Ship to join us for a weekend of hands-on learning and fellowship. The cost will be about \$20.00 (Each Ship will be responsible for their own food).

We would like to offer the classes listed below if there is sufficient interest. Yes, we are counting on many of you to help teach these classes so, please let us know what classes your adults can help with.

**Safety Afloat** - This adult water safety class will be offered.

**Swimming** - This class will cover the swimming Merit badge req. for the Ordinary rank

**Small Boat Handler** - Successful completion of this course will qualify the Sea Explorer for the Small Boat Handler award outlined in the Sea Exploring Manual.

**Advanced Seamanship** - Successful completion of this course will qualify the Sea Explorer for the Qualified Seaman award outlined in the Sea Exploring Manual.

You must be of Ordinary Rank or higher to take this class.

**Rowing** - This class will cover requirements for the Rowing Merit badge.

**Sailing 1** - This class will cover the sailing requirements in Ordinary rank requirement # 16 and # 17e.

**Sailing 2** - This class will cover the sailing requirements in Able rank requirement # 18a.

**Boat 1** - This class will cover the boats requirements in Able rank # 6.

**Boat 2** - This class will cover the boats requirements in Quartermaster requirement # 6.

**Small Outboard Engines** -

This class will cover the maintenance and care of small outboard engines.

**Boat Maintenance** -

This class will cover the Boat Maintenance requirements in Able req. # 17.

**Pulling Boat** - This class will cover the Boats requirement in Able Rank # 18b.

**Canoeing** - This class will cover the canoeing Merit Badge.

**Intro to SCUBA** - This class will provide an introduction to SCUBA diving. There will be an additional charge for this class.

**Contact Jerry Crabtree for a Registration Form at  
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Bowie, MD, 20715**

(Telephone 301-262-0394; E-Mail [jmcrabt@erols.com](mailto:jmcrabt@erols.com))

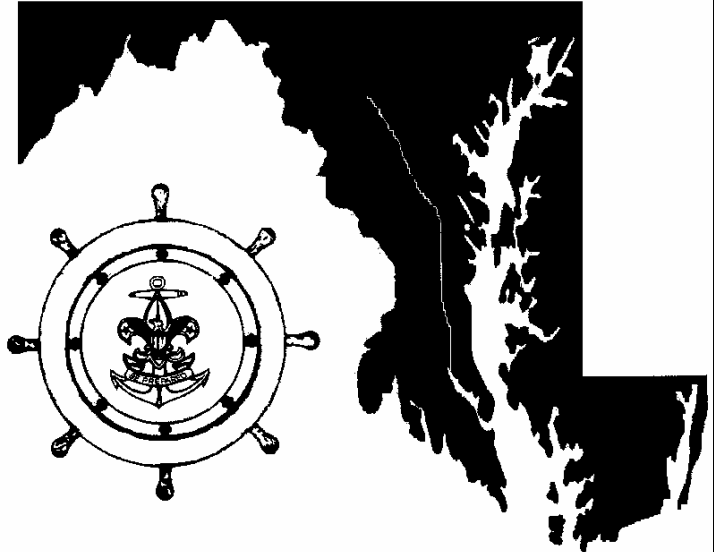
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This course is a leadership course, not a seamanship course. To attend a SEAL class you must be Ordinary by July of 1997 and you must study and have a working knowledge of Chapter Five of the Sea Explorer Manual.

Class will be held in South Florida July 12-19, 1997. The cost of the course is \$70. Call Skipper Jim Elroy (305) 323-8278

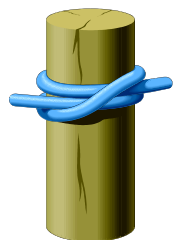
### 32nd HENRY I. NYGARD SEA EXPLORING REGATTA 23-26 MAY 1997 GREENWELL STATE PARK MARYLAND



REGISTRATION SATURDAY 24 MAY  
0800 TO 0900  
CLOSING MONDAY, 26 May 1997

This is one of the finest Sea Scout Regattas in the United States. Some of the events include, uniform inspection, team swim, individual swim, pulling boat race, sailboating race, life ring toss, heaving line toss, powder monkey race, marlinspike seamanship, signaling, canoe slalom, boatswain chairlift and much more.

For a complete registration package contact **Doug Yeckley**, Chairman of the Regatta at (410) 326-4291



The First Seabadge Northeast Regional Rendezvous was held on March 15

Souvenir T-shirts are still available for \$14. A **Rendezvous Book of Remembrance** is included in the price. Contact Jeff Murray or Rafi Sharif to obtain this handsome T sporting the Rendezvous logo.



# THE QUARTERMASTER BRIDGE OF HONOR

## SEA SCOUT SHIP 90

Joseph B. Pratt

and

Andrew D. Carlson

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**S**erving fourth term as Boatswain of Sea Explorer Ship 90 **Andrew D. Carlson** has led the Ship to victory at the last two Sea Explorer Rendezvous held at Lakehurst naval Air Station, 1995 and 1996. He holds the Silver Anchor Award, Explorer Gold Award, the Phil Johnson Award and is a BSA Lifeguard. He has canoed the white water of the Delaware River and has repaired many of the Ship's canoes and sailboats. In 1996 he was named "Sea Explorer of the Year" at the Regional Bridge of Honor. He is employed part-time at Stone's Hardware in Great Bend and is currently attending Johnson Technical Institute, Scranton, majoring in Building Construction Technology. He is the son of Joan Carlson, and Douglas Carlson. Andy is a 1996 grad of Blue Ridge High School, New Milford, PA.

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Self-nominations for Regional Boatswain for 1997-98 are being accepted by Jeff Murray.  
1-301-953-2684

**T**he Boatswain Mate for Sea Explorer Ship 90, **Joseph B. Pratt** has served as Crew Leader for the Starboard Crew. He has earned the Explorer Gold Award, Exploring Leadership Award in the Council. In addition, he has earned the BSA Lifeguard designation and the Phil Johnson Award. In Boy Scout Troop 99, Heart Lake, PA, Joe earned the rank of **Eagle** with Bronze, Gold and Silver Palms. He was awarded the Duty to God Award by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon). He has served for five years on staff for Tuscarora Scout Reservation as Lifeguard/sailing and nature counselor. In the Order of the Arrow Joe serves as Chapter Chief and was past Ceremony Chairman of Otahnagon Lodge 172. For the next two years Joe will serve as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pratt, Montrose, PA. He is a 1996 grad of Montrose High School.



Editor's Note:

When a new Quartermaster Award is presented at a Bridge of Honor, please contact me with the details. In the next issue of the Telegraph, the young man or woman will receive further recognition.