NEWSLETTER and MINUTES
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USE OUR WEBSITE EVENTS LINK (“Get Involved” button) TO SIGN UP FOR SAILS OR CONTACT THE SAIL ORGANIZER.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF EVENTS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE UPDATED DAILY.

ALL VOLUNTEER ALL THE TIME…THIRTY YEARS OF PEOPLE GIVING THEIR TIME FOR AT RISK AND UNDERSERVED YOUTH…AND LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN US IN THIS GREAT TRADITION.

SCHEDULE OF SAILS: Go to our website and click on the “Get Involved” link and following the links to see our coming sails and events and you can join the sail by following the links and signing up as a volunteer or guest. We have several sails each week now and are looking for those to work the boats both weekends and weekdays. www.bluewaterfoundation.org.

1. The SF District sails will begin end of September…check the schedule on line. Every middle school and high school over the school year. Captain Les needs more volunteers to man these Thursday sails so please do sign up. On Golden Bear, our boat at SF Marina. Police are present on most of the sails as part of their community outreach.
2. We have had over a dozen community sails scheduled over the summer both on Aleta and Bear and still have a few more to finish up our summer season. Silver Springs on 9/19; City of Dreams on
November 2. More are likely to be scheduled but Captain Les is making sure our community groups get a chance on the water.

3. El Dorado Probation has begun again with Captain Eric being in charge. These are on Aleta in Emeryville. Next El Dorado in a few weeks. Check the schedule.

4. SF Probation have their second class already scheduled which begins in September. Mentor Mentee method. Will be a family orientation and then our sails begin, two a month. Looking for more volunteers.

5. Contra Costa is having monthly sails, with Steve taking the lead as first captain. These are on Benjamin Walters leaving from Berkeley.

6. Alameda County have three sails set for their classes which have already begun. On Benjamin Walters in Berkeley.

7. CERTIFICATION SAILS for each of the boats are now scheduled: SIGN UP TO GET CERTIFIED IN A SINGLE FUN DAY! Go to get involved link on our website and you can sign up right now. We have double certification sails as well with two boats out at the same time practicing MOB from one boat to the other.

MAKE AND MEND DAY

On OCTOBER 27 we will have our annual Make and Mend day and picnic in which all three boats meet and all of us volunteers clean, check gear, make minor repairs, drink beer, eat food and lie to each other about sailing experiences. Great fun and a good chance to meet the hundred people or so who now make up the Blue Water community. And this year we may get some probation students to come out and help us as well. SET ASIDE THE DATE AND FIGURE WE MEET AROUND NINE AND FINISH AROUND THREE...AND NEED TO BRING ALL THE BOATS TO BERKELEY FOR OUR EVENT! Meet at Berkeley at ten...which means need to meet at Bear and Aleta at nine to bring over. POTLUCK, CLEANING SUPPLIES AND MUSCLE NEEDED....

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION:

ALL THREE BOATS STILL HAVE MORE CERTIFICATION SAILS SET UP FOR THE COMING YEAR. THESE SAILS HAVE NO KIDS ON BOARD, SIMPLY A FULL DAY OF TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION, INCLUDING LIVE MOB DRILLS ON MANY OF THE SAILS. A GOOD WAY TO BUILD UP TO NEW CERTIFICATION IN A SINGLE DAY OF HARD AND FUN SAILING. AND LIVE MOB. CHECK THE “GET INVOLVED” LINK ON THE WEB PAGE AND SIGN UP!!!!

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On September 22 here will be a MOB and certification sail on ALETA IN TANDEM WITH BENJAMIN WALTERS on September 22 ...both will work together and trade off rescuing the MOB in the water...And on October 19 on GOLDEN BEAR. Sign up!

The CPR and FIRST AID COURSE- Captain Les, will again teach on October 12 in the City.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND INTERNSHIPS:

Recall we have scholarships for selected students from the Sategna Foundation and our scholarship committee continues to monitor past recipients and plan for the next round of grants. We now have apparently an excellent student who will use up our remaining funds and shall be seeking another grant from Sategna. Stay tuned!
Recall we are also hoping to implement some internships, including possible ones at Joanne’s and Eric’s shop. So far, we have half a dozen companies interested in sponsoring internships…know any? Get in touch with Lee at lstimmel@stimmel-law.com.

**MONEY? NEED MORE!!** Down to about 5600 after the massive repairs below…but we do have commitments from some more from some friends and the Meyer Foundation. That said, we do need to replenish our coffers and that will be a primary goal of the organization over the coming months. Marty has been fighting with the State tax people who finally admit that they should not have taxed us…after years of our complaining…and we will likely get back another $2000 there.

We have no payroll, but we do have to pay insurance for the boats and repair and upkeep. If you can spare it, we are tax deductible and every dime goes to serve the kids. Help us help them…

President Shannon is thinking of a President’s Dinner, opposite to the date of the Party, to raise money…a fancier affair with more money per plate knowing the proceeds help the kids. Stay tuned for details.

**BOSUN’S REPORT**-both BEAR AND ALETA REPAIRED AND BACK IN THEIR BERTHS!!

**BEAR:** Back in SF Marina again. Hydraulics and deck repaired…cost us over 6200.

**ALETA:** Aleta back with new V drive and now in Emeryville. Cost us 10,000…

*THANKS TO OUR BOSUNS AND TO TOM PARFITT FOR REMARKABLE WORK ON THIS PROJECT.*

**BENJAMIN WALTERS:** Leech of Mainsail replaced, net netting on life lines, engine maintenance, bilge pump repair. All at owner’s expenses.

**EMERYVILLE MARINA ISSUES:** We have a new berth in Emeryville while we continue to negotiate to move Aleta to Berkeley. Shannon continues to work on getting a free berth in Berkeley.

**BLUE WATER GROWING:**
We have just about doubled our size in the last year.

Keep in mind that many nonsailing activities are available for new volunteers…from scholarship/internships and fund-raising efforts, to outreach and training. Sailing is our tool…helping children the actual task at hand.

**Video Conferences:** David has purchased, after budget approval, Zoom for Video Conferencing for our committees. If your committee needs it and David has not already briefed you, get in touch with him.
ATT PARK has offered a stand to Blue Water for some games in which we sell refreshments, get to keep much of the proceeds, can publicize who we are…and sneak over to see some of the game. We have done it once and have one more effort to do, need a few more volunteers. SEPTEMBER 14 IS OUR FINAL EVENT AND PLEASE SIGN UP AND MAKE SOME MONEY FOR BLUE WATER AT THE GAME.

BEN WENGROFSKY MEMORIAL SAIL AND PICNIC DAY ON THE BOATS:

We had a great celebration and picnic for Captain Ben on AUGUST 11, With Aleta and Benjamin anchoring at Angel. Next year it was decided to expand it to a legacy sail with celebration of Jim Rumer as well and inviting not only Ben’s family but Jim’s….making the memory live., www.bluewaterfoundation.org.

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 6pm to 8 pm...and ALWAYS OVER BY EIGHT, FOOD AND DRINK SERVED, 2TH FLOOR, 48 GOLD STREET, SF, FIVE BLOCKS FROM BART, IN JACKSON SQUARE, all welcome or call in on our toll-free conference line, 605 475 4120, ACCESS CODE 1142034#.

You can make a difference if you want to. Up to you. Join us. www.bluewaterfoundation.org.