

AND NOW COMMENTS FROM OUR CHAIR



Happy Holidays from the National Safe Boating Council Board and Staff! I have been enjoying my first year as the Chair of the National Safe Boating Council. This year has been a busy one for the NSBC. We are working hard to prepare for the 2006 North American Safe Boating Campaign and have made some changes we feel will greatly benefit all the participants of the campaign. We have also been putting some time into the 10th anniversary of the International Boating and Water Safety Summit. The 10th anniversary should be one of the best years yet with a beautiful location in Palm Harbor Florida and many new programs and presentations to learn

from. We continue to strive to serve our members and the boating community to the best of our ability and we could not do it without your support!


Best wishes for a safe and Happy Holiday!



Ed Carter 

NAUTICAL NONSENSE

Congratulations to our previous Nautical Nonsense winner, Jim Crawford. Jim received a NSBC polo shirt for being the first person to correctly send his answer to the NSBC. Remember, the first person to correctly email their answer to office@safeboatingcouncil.org will win a prize. Good Luck!

THE BOATSWAIN'S PIPES WERE FIRST USED IN EARLY ROMAN AND GRECIAN GALLEYS; THEIR SHRILL TONES SET THE PACE FOR ROWERS AT THEIR OARS AND IS ALSO USED TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOARD SHIPS. WHAT SHAKESPEARE PLAY MENTIONS THESE PIPES? 




Last issues question was: The mark, usually inside the compass bowl, from which one reads the course or steers, is referred to as the “?” The answer is: The Lubber’s Line!

OMC FOUNDATION “TAKE ‘EM BOATING” GRANT PROGRAM

The National Safe Boating Council is proud to announce the call for grant proposals to compete for a single annual grant established by the OMC Foundation. The purpose of the grant is to educate and promote boating among America’s young people.

The program shall insure that the selected youth program has a source of start-up or development funds. The client group to be served will be young boaters, kindergarten through the 12th grade. The grant should present an opportunity to get kids in boats, promote the future of the marine industry through environmental education and safety awareness, and embrace all aspects of recreational boating for this age group. The grant seeks innovative opportunities, including adaptive boating, paddle sports, sailing and powerboat safety programs. Successes should be measured by the number of kids introduced to boats, safety programs and environmental education as well as the continuing success of the program beyond the funding year. Funds that can be expected for the grant will be up to \$5,000.

The National Safe Boating Council will be accepting applications from organizations, companies and agencies beginning January 1, 2006 and ending March 15, 2006. A panel of judges shall select the best proposal. The announcement of the winner will be made at the 2006 International Boating and Water Safety Summit being held in Palm Harbor, Florida. Future application dates will depend on the date of the International Boating and Water Safety Summit. A plaque will be created to recognize the former employees of the Outboard Marine Corporation and will list each year’s grant program recipient.

For further information, please contact the National Safe Boating Council at 703-361-4294. 

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