

SHAC SEA SCOUT FLEET MEETING MINUTES/ 11/21/13

PRESENT: Wilson, Ready, Sunker, Johnson, Walker, Vaughn, Upchurch, Crowl, Leavitt, Lipham, Mulcahey, Gower, Hunn, Cushman, Houghton, Carr, Noser

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: No comments or corrections.

MARKETING AND PUBLICITY: Nothing recent but Cassie encouraged localization of publicity with the tip that local community newspapers are almost always receptive to stories and pictures of local kids doing well.

BOATS AND GEAR: Marcus wasn't able to make it. The Ranger 28 at Watergate which was offered earlier this month has had no takers.

CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE: December 14 for those who want to participate or watch. Beware of boaters under the influence and those generally clueless afloat.... Past experiences have had plenty of these folks out there on this occasion.

2014 EVENTS:

SAFETY AT SEA: It was announced that the Coast Guard will be putting on a Safety At Sea at the new Sea Scout Base Galveston on October 11.

BEACH CLEAN-UP: Is going on the schedule for September 27. Bolivar peninsula, details to follow.

SEA SCOUT ACADEMY: Should be going up on 'Doubleknot' pretty soon. Fee for dorms will be \$40; camping, Galveston Boat Club and SEAL track \$30, Tshirt or hoodie not included. Cassie passed around a sign-up list and was able to fill in quite a few blanks. Space will be limited in dorms and tracks four and five, so try not to delay signing up.

2014 GOALS: Redacted at the adult sail, the goals were briefly discussed and accepted.

SHAC 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY: Five events are planned next year to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the council. Scouting For Food, Scout Fair, Camping, community service/land stewardship and winter camp are the five components of participation put forth by the council.

POINT GLASS OPPORTUNITIES: A plan is in the works to make two day weekend 'circle' trips on the Point Glass available to crews from Ships. Five to six youth plus two adults. The cost? Food for the weekend for the crew and the captains. These would not be pleasure cruises. The crews would be actively working all aspects of the ship. A schedule of opportunities should be available early in 2014.

POWER SQUADRON PILOTING CLASS: The full bore Power Squadron Piloting course will be put on by Chris Leavitt at Richard Lipham's house starting after Thanksgiving. They are going to

work out a schedule that works for those taking it. Contact Chris. The course is \$110; mostly for books.

ROUNDTABLE: Richard and George went out to Miracle Marine to inventory sails. George's report with the inventory is sent out separately. Skipper Cushman thought Seabadge was pretty great (which seemed to be the consensus of everyone there.) Ron said the revised application form for Texas Flagship should be up on the FOTSS website shortly. Cassie reported that former SHAC Skipper and National Commodore Jimmie Homburg was recuperating after serious surgery.

VENTURING EXECUTIVE'S MINUTE: Kevin reiterated that recharter time is coming up. December 15th or before.

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS: Happy Thanksgiving to all and thanks to those who were able to make it to the adult sail and planning dinner.

MEETING ADJOURNED: At 2053 until December **18**, 2013 at the Scout office.

"Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value" Albert Einstein

"What good is the warmth of summer without the cold of winter to give it sweetness?" Anon.