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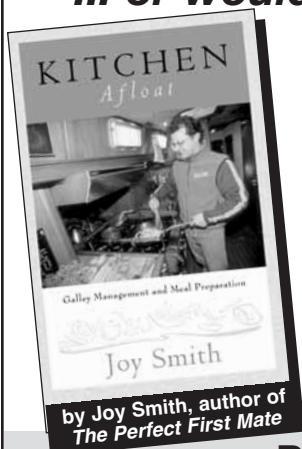
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New York National Boat Show at Javits Center

The 102nd New York National Boat Show will run at the Jacob Javits Convention Center, 35th Street & 11th Avenue, Manhattan, from Saturday, 12/30/06 through Sunday, 01/07/07. Show hours are: Saturday, 12/31/06, 10 am – 3 pm; Sunday, 01/01/07 & 01/08/07, 11 am – 6 pm; Monday – Friday, 01/02/07-01/06/07, noon to 8 pm; Saturday, 01/06/07, 10 am – 8 pm; Sunday, 01/07/07, 10 am – 5 pm. This is fun for the entire family, with boats of every type for every budget, more than 1,000 on display in addition to fishing equipment, marine accessories, engines and apparel.

Check nyboatshow.com for updated information on show highlights and events schedule. There'll be a new "IGX Adrenaline Jam", a 17-screen variety of interactive water sport video games at IGX, the Interactive Game Experience, featuring the latest in video game technology. Also, the new Power Boat Docking Challenge, a radio-controlled boat docking game, (www.dockingchallenge.com). See, too, the Fetch-n-Fish Tank for live freshwater fishing demonstrations from atop a 40-foot long, 4,000-gallon fish tank. Jason Reynolds and other pros teach casting tricks, lure action and other expert activities. There are daily, free seminars as well. In Hall A, a seminar produced by "The Fishing Line", features local radio and TV personality, Rich Johnson, brings you local and national fishing pros and boating experts to share their many successes with you. In Hall E, you'll see freshwater fishing seminars mixed with comedic/serious seminars guaranteed to make you and the family smile. Prices: Adults pay \$15 each, Children 12 and under attend free with Adult admission, Youth \$8 each (with Adult admission). For more information, please call 212-984-7007. The New York National Boat Show is produced by the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA), the world's largest producer of boat shows. NMMA is the leading association representing a \$37 billion a year recreational boating industry.

Fairfield's Reagan Walker, 10, Writes Us a Letter About Stench

"Hi, I am Reagan Walker and I wrote this story after fishing with my Dad. I was wondering if you could publish it in Boating World Sound Edition? Thank you."

Stinky Bunker

Spish, splash went the waves as we prepared to launch our small fishing boat into the harbor. I had been looking forward to this day for a week now, just me, my Dad, and Joe, who works with my Dad and knows a lot about bluefishing. Neither my Dad nor I have ever caught a bluefish, but Joe had caught more than you could count.

We started to fish for bunker, which we would liveline and use as bait for the bluefish. We had been out there for a half-hour and didn't snag any bunker. But luckily my Dad's friend was out fishing also and he had caught many bunker and gave us 2 of them. They were 2 good-sized fish but man did they stink! They smelled horrible with a capatal H.

By the time the first one was gone all we got were nibbles. The second piece was different. My Dad caught a baby searobbin which are ugly fish and make a horrible noise. Then at the same time, Joe came seconds away from catching a big, fat chunky bluefish for dinner. But it got away, I don't know how, so don't ask.

When Joe casted he tugged so hard with his pole that he turned the boat in circles. But then we ran out of bait and couldn't fish any more. The sunset was pretty on the water from the view of the boat. It made me feel calm and peaceful. The waves seemed to calm down too. The sunset was as pretty as the moonrise.

We got home at 9 o'clock. It was dark and I was tired. My Dad was upset that we didn't catch a bluefish. I didn't care about not catching a bluefish. I had too much fun to care.

THE END...

Events

Mystic Seaport Holiday Events

Holiday Magic

Experience Holiday Magic at Mystic Seaport on December 26 through January 1, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

It's the week after Christmas. The kids are home from school. What to do? Visit Mystic Seaport and experience Holiday Magic! Discover the magical heavens under our Planetarium dome. Giggle as you learn a magic trick (or two!), participate in a professional 19th-century magic show and create a holiday treasure.

Lantern Light Tours

Mystic Seaport will be holding Lantern Light Tours on the following dates: December 1-3, 7-10, 14-17, 20-23 and 28-29.

Immerse yourself in an all-new tale of the magic, merriment and mystery of Christmas Eve, 1876. Stroll through a festival holiday village, kick up your heels in a tavern dance and visit with sailors in port for the holiday. You may even spy a jolly old silver-haired fellow... Could that be St. Nick? Lantern Light Tours brings out the joy of the holidays in all of us.

Lantern Light Tours are scheduled primarily Thursday through Sunday evenings, December 1-3, 7-10, 14-17, 20-23 and 28-29. The first tour leaves at 5 p.m. except for all Saturday dates and Friday, December 22, when tours begin at 4:45 p.m. The last tour leaves at varied times. Each performance is approximately 70 minutes long and is not recommended for children under four.

Reservations are strongly recommended, particularly for Friday and Saturday evening performances. Tickets are \$25 per adult, \$18 per youth (ages 4 to 18) (\$22/\$16 members). Tickets go on sale to Museum members Saturday, September 30. Tickets go on sale to the general public on Tuesday, October 10. To purchase tickets, call 888.973.2767 Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or stop by our Visitor Reception Center seven days a week, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Once tickets are reserved, there is a \$5 per ticket charge for changes to your reservation.

Fall/Winter Events

Kellog Marine Supply Dealer Trade Show - On November 14 - November 16, 2006 this trade show will occur at the Mohegan Sun Resort & Casino MYSTIC SEAPORT HOLIDAY EVENTS in Uncasville, CT. Please call Debbie Baker for details at (860) 434-6002.

CMTA Hartford Boat & Fishing Show - On January 25 - 28, 2007, the Connecticut Marine Trades Association (CMTA) will conduct its Hartford Boat & Fishing Show. If you are participating as an exhibitor, please remember that your final deposit for space is due no later than November 15. Also, be sure to submit your certificate of insurance with proper language.

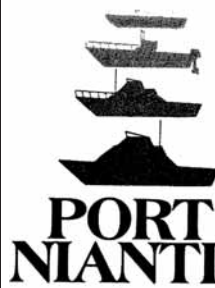
Annual International Marine Art Exhibition - On November 1 - November 14 the Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Ct will hold its annual art exhibition. For further information call 888-973-2767 or www.visitmysticseaport.com

Sabre Yachts Names Dealer

Petzold's Marine Center of Portland, CT has joined the Sabre Yachts dealer network. Sabre Yachts Corporation manufactures sailboats and motor yachts. Petzold's, a family-owned and operated company, will serve as Sabre Yachts' sole dealer for Connecticut, Westchester, NY and western Rhode Island. (This item adapted from wavelengths).

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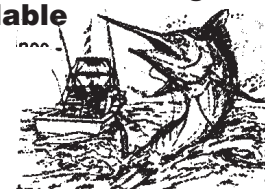
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