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President's Letter

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I'm **Diana Smith**, your president. Thought I would tell you a bit about me, so you can put a face with one of the officers of **NWSA**. We hope to share some interesting facts about other officers and board members in the future.

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We're All Moved In!

We are all settled in our new office at the US SAILING headquarters in Portsmouth, Rhode Island. We've hired a new Coordinator, **Anne Chapin**, who has come on board to run the office and take care of all your program and membership needs. We are very lucky to have Anne, who is savvy in business and marketing, and highly organized, as well as being a great sailor. (See the press release at www.womensailing.org and www.ussailing.org.)

Our toll-free number remains 866-631-6972, but our local phone and fax numbers have changed to 401-682-2064 and 401-682-2067, respectively. Our new mailing address is PO Box 748, 15 Maritime Dr., Portsmouth, RI 02871. We're very excited to be working alongside the US SAILING folks and are looking forward to a long and fulfilling

Sail for America

NWSA Board members **Val Cook**, **Sue Corl**, and **Joan Thayer** were on hand to show our country's strength and spirit at the Sail for America celebration in New York Harbor on Sept. 14. This memorial to the victims and survivors of the Sept. 11 attacks was meant to show a glorious love of our freedom by filling the harbor with the most sailboats in its history.

It was also the scene of the start of the Around Alone Race. At 9 AM, all boats in the harbor slowly raised their main sails as the Star Spangled Banner was played and the fire boats displayed their water power, a truly stirring sight. Three separate boat parades slowly made their way around the harbor, past the Statue of Liberty, and to the Verrazano Narrows Bridge. Family members of victims were aboard many of the vessels. Val, Sue and Joan report a thrilling experience for all who participated.



First Diesel Engine Workshop Coming Up

The first of four diesel engine workshops is coming up quickly on November 2 & 3 in Union, NJ. Popular instructor **Larry Berlin** from **Mack Boring**, will be teaching you how to maintain your engine, troubleshoot common problems, and make emergency repairs. This full weekend will fill you with confidence that you can save on mechanic's bills and take pride in the careful maintenance of the boat you sail. Three more workshops will be conducted: February 8 & 9, 2003 in Wilmington, NC; March 1 & 2 in Buffalo Grove, IL; and March 22 & 23 in Middleborough, MA. **Mack Boring** provides transportation from your hotel to the training facility, and a prize drawing will be held at the end of the workshop. These workshops are kept small so you get lots of personal attention and hands-on time, so don't wait.

Visit our web site for more information and sign up now by calling Anne at 866-631-6972.

You Can Sail! Escape®

The You Can Sail! Escapes® presented by **Offshore Sailing School** are scheduled for April 27-May 2, 2003 at Captiva Island's South Seas Plantation Resort and July 13-20 at Hawk's Cay Resort in the Florida Keys for a comprehensive schedule of sailing instruction at America's #1 sailing school.

These exciting events put you at the top of your sailing form and give you the chance to meet other women who are also learning to enjoy the freedom and accomplishment of sailing. Both resorts offer a variety of other activities for your off-sailing hours including white sand beaches, tennis and golf, wonderful restaurants, and great shopping. Whether you're a beginner in the Learn to Sail course, or want to add more to the skills you already have in Performance Sailing or Bareboat Preparation, you'll find what you're looking for in this tropical paradise.

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Hawk's Cay offers the unique Live-aboard Bareboat Cruising course, and the Fast Track to Cruising are available at both locations, allowing you to move from basic sailing techniques right on up to big boat handling instruction in one visit. Great evening activities are added to these special weeks to allow you the opportunity to really get to know your sailing mates.

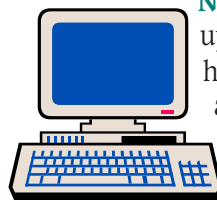
The Escapes are co-sponsored by **NWSA** and are for women only so you enjoy a totally non-threatening atmosphere with great networking opportunities. So join us! We bet you'll say it is the best choice you ever made. Call us at 866-631-6972. A deposit of \$500 reserves your spot for one of these exciting weeks.

Christmas is Coming!

Believe it or not, it's not too early to start thinking about the holidays and especially about those who are less fortunate than most of us. **NWSA** does its part each year by providing the **AdventureSail** programs for at-risk girls around the country. Even though we have local sponsors for part of the expenses, we'd like to do more for these girls. It has long been our dream to provide scholarships to sailing camps and schools for deserving **AdventureSail** girls. We also want to be able to support collegiate and Olympic champion hopefuls who get only private funding while they campaign on the long trail to the Olympics.

I hope each of you will plan to send a contribution to the **AdventureSail** fund that supports these efforts. Checks should be made payable to **NWSA**. Thank you so much for helping to make these dreams come true and assisting these girls achieve their goals.

We Need a Computer!



NWSA would like to upgrade our computer hardware and software, and make some nice changes to our web site, to serve you better. We want to

apply for a grant to cover this cost. If you know of any foundation or company, maybe even your own, that has grant funding available for not-for-profit organizations like ours, please call Anne at 866-631-6972 and let her know or e-mail me at diana.b.smith@delphiauto.com. Please let us know! Thanks.

Welcome New Members!

Many of our new members have joined as a result of attending an **NWSA** event. They've found the fun, learning, and great new friends are something they want to continue to enjoy. Come on aboard! You won't regret it.

California

Fran Weber-Melville - Culver City

Florida

BJ Prescott - Sebring

Dotty Wolski - Lakeland

Idaho

Mary Lynn Vore - Coerd'alene

Massachusetts

Pam Ehret - Boston

Maryland

Kathryn Mc Intyre - Annapolis

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Candy Scott - Scotts Mills

Sara Honsberger - Portland

Vicki Bugbee Reed - Philomath

Daniela Brandt - West Linn

Roberta Blumenshine - Portland

Alison Mazon - Portland

Kirsten Medley - Portland

Marianne Shumaker - Portland

Pennsylvania

Christine Albrightson - Wayne

Rhode Island

Kay Chapin - Barrington

Utah

Robyn Rogin - Salt Lake City

Virginia

Nancy Chapin - Roanoke

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*Fair winds
until next time!
Diana Smith*



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Dianne Roach – Seattle
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Barbara Russell – Hansville
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Lisa Oberg – Seattle
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Heather Haskins – Seattle
Ruth Young – Puyallup
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NWSA APRIL 5-12, 2003 BVI FLOTILLA

Join **NWSA's** second women-only **FLOTILLA** in the **British Virgin Islands**. Cruise 32 miles of incomparable sailing, snorkeling and waterfront resorts for six glorious days in April!

You'll sail on a beautiful Moorings 505 (50-ft) vessel which has four cabins, four heads with showers — all the amenities, including linens and towels. The package price is \$1995 for a shared cabin/hotel room (\$2495 single cabin/hotel room) and includes your boat charter with split provisioning, rum punch party and dinner first and last nights, two nights hotel room double occupancy, all taxes and fees, airport transfers, a Cruising Guide to the BVI's. Airfare, meals ashore and beverages are not included. A \$500 deposit reserves your spot.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION/DETAILS
TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT. . .CALL 866-631-6972**