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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

A little over two years ago a passionate group of people assembled in my basement to discuss starting a high school sailing team. "You're thinking too small!" was the message delivered over and over that night. I'm thrilled to share with you that everyone in that room was thinking too small! Through the dedication of many people, The Spring Lake Sailing Team/Shoreline Foundation for High School Sailing has flourished and rapidly established itself as one of the top high school sailing programs in the Midwest; currently ranked 8th out of 35 teams and consistently serving 20-23 sailors from Spring Lake High School. On average, more than half of those sailors are new to the sport. Our success is being recognized!



Instructional Sailing Programs like ours are not just vital to the future of sailing but to our next generation. Read what some of the sailors say about "What sailing means to me." on our website. www.springlakesailing.com. Lives are being touched and changed for the better. ***People who have never sailed before are buying boats and joining Spring Lake Yacht Club because of a new found love of the sport of sailing!***

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has put in countless hours and energy to make this program successful. Thank you to those in our community who gave financial contributions to get us started! Thank you to the SLYC for the use of their facilities in support of our program. To the very dedicated Board, thank you for all that you do. We are very excited to continue growing the program and developing sailors and leaders.

Fox 17
Evening News
will be airing
a special on
Laker Sailing.
Watch for it!

We need volunteers as well as financial support. **If you are interested in working with high school sailors and developing the next generation of leaders, please contact us!** There are many ways that you can help and we would love to have you part of the program.

Lastly, I urge you to help us reach our fundraising goals by making a tax-deductible donation to Shoreline Foundation for High School Sailing, a non-profit 501 (c)3. Only with your support, can we continue our mission of introducing teens to the sport of sailing!

Best regards,

David Walters

PROGRAM NEEDS:

- Power Boats/Coach Boats – Will accept boats, outboard motors or funds to buy them.
- Dollies – We need 9. Cost is \$650 each for a total of \$5,850
- Sails – We need 10 sets. Cost is \$750 each. Will add sponsor name for cost to print on sail.
- Financial Contributions – To purchase lines, cover equipment maintenance and repair, and add to coaching funds. Currently relying 100% on volunteers. Any amount is appreciated!



TURKEY LEG REGATTA

November 3, 2012, the Spring Lake Sailing Team hosted the first annual Turkey Leg Regatta at SLYC. Sailors from Chicago, Traverse City, Detroit Metro Area, East Grand Rapids and Grand Haven came out providing a superb level of competition. Highlights of the day were the traditional Thanksgiving Day meal including giant roasted turkey legs and repurposed vintage trophies from Coach Nils Reuterdaahl's father. More pictures and a complete regatta recap can be found on our website. Turkey Leg II is scheduled for November 2, 2013 at SLYC! Thanks to our sponsors, Chef in a Box – August Johnson, Woodcraft, and Orchard Market of Spring Lake.

BAKER TEAM RACE

The Baker Qualifier held on May 4-5, 2013 turned out to be an enormously successful regatta for SL Sailors! Day one began with 16 teams in attendance being split into two fleets. The intent was to run head to head races in a "round robin" format and the top four teams from each fleet would advance to Sunday's semi-final round robin. From these eight teams, four would advance to the finals. So how'd we do? At the end of day one, SL Sailors were in three-way tie for fourth position. The tie-breaker came down to winning a protest that Spring Lake had filed against Wyzata giving us the extra win we needed to advance to the semi-final round of racing. Results of day one were 5 wins and 2 losses (3rd place in our fleet). An excellent score considering the high level of competition! Going into day two we knew we had our work cut out for us. Only the most tactical teams had advanced into the "Gold Fleet". We raced against: Loyola, Minnetonka, New Trier, Oconomowoc, St. Ignatious, Grosse Pointe South, and Lake Forest. It was an honor and privilege to advance and compete against the most elite high school sailing programs in the Mid-West. Lake Forest eventually took home the first place trophy and advanced to Baker National Championship held in Tampa, Florida. Congratulations Laker Sailors on making it into the "Gold Fleet"!

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SPRING LAKE SAILING TEAM MISSION STATEMENT

To sponsor, promote, and support the teaching of sailing, water safety, and the concepts of sailing competition to Spring Lake area youth. To promote participation by area youth in events sponsored by the Interscholastic Sailing Association and to facilitate the development of competitive sailing skills including the teaching of sailing rules, ethics, sportsmanship, and team leadership principles which leads to a lifelong interest in sailing.

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