



The *American Sea Scouts* through the Memorandum of Understanding between the National Sea Scouts and the *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* with the financial support of the non-profit *Thorsborg, Ltd.* offers underwater archeology-training opportunities with a course created by the *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* that gives certified scuba divers the instruction and field experience to assist in the conservation of the submerged history of our country. The classroom portion and the examination can be done by non-certified scuba divers, but the final certification by *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* required attendance and skills learned at the final field school which **DOES** require open-water diver certification by any of the certifications agencies recognized by the BSA, (PADI, SSI, NAUI, YMCA).

This course consists of the video educational segments, an open book test that is graded by *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* and a weekend field school on an actual wreck that results in a formal written report delivered to the respective state government's Department of Natural Resources.

The process is as follows:

- The open book test is distributed to the class participants
- The DVD videos are reviewed by the participants in a classroom setting and/or on an individual self-study basis
- A test review meeting that is facilitated by a *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* Field School Instructor (contact address below for Instructor) either through on-site presence or conference call to go over the examination and come to a conclusion as to the correct answers. The participants are then required to formally type their answers to the test **IN THEIR OWN WORDS** (no duplication of answer sheets!) and submit the tests to the address below who will coordinate the grading and payment of the testing fees with the *Maritime Archeology Historical Society*.
- After grading of the test and clarification of answers/errors, a weekend *Field School* is scheduled to be conducted by a *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* authorized instructor at an area/wreck that will provide both an opportunity for the students to complete a "hands-on" activity, but also to generate a formal report on the state of the wreck. Wrecks will be in water less than 30' deep.
- Upon satisfactory completion of the Field School report, the participants will receive certification certificates from *Maritime Archeology Historical Society* as trained underwater archeologist.

The diver below is the first Sea Scout (Zach Golosov) to be certified by *Maritime Archeology Historical Society*



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