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Renowned Sailor and Navel Architect Halsey Herreshoff to Speak at ABBRA Symposium

Warren, RI—Renowned sailor, designer, and scion to the marine industry Halsey Herreshoff is slated to present the keynote address at the American Boat Builders & Repairers Association (ABBRA) first Summer Symposium Networking & Social Event at the historic OceanCliff Hotel in Newport, Rhode Island, this August 3-4, 2009.

“Those who own and work in the repair, service and boat building industry, and affiliated marine-industry businesses will benefit greatly from all the networking opportunities and seminars at the Summer Symposium,” says Doug Domenie, ABBRA’s president. “The content is geared to this audience specifically. Along with Halsey Herreshoff, the event includes a question-and-answer panel with EPA and OSHA representatives, a highly informative session on developing continuity plans, and a riveting closing discussion from the industry’s favorite maritime law specialist, Dennis Nixon.”

Included in the registration for the ABBRA Summer Symposium, attendees will be offered private tours of three major New England boat building and repair facilities: Hinckley Yacht Services, Newport Shipyard, and Conanicut Marine Services.

As added incentive, event attendees’ guests may purchase a reduced guest-registration rate, which allows them access to all symposium meals, and friends and family will be offered low-price tickets to tour Newport’s attractions.

Those interested in benefiting from ABBRA’s pre-registration reduced conference rate should sign up by June 30, 2009.

For more information, or to register for the ABBRA Summer Symposium, please call Jessica Slemons at 401-247-0318 or email jslemons@abbra.org.

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