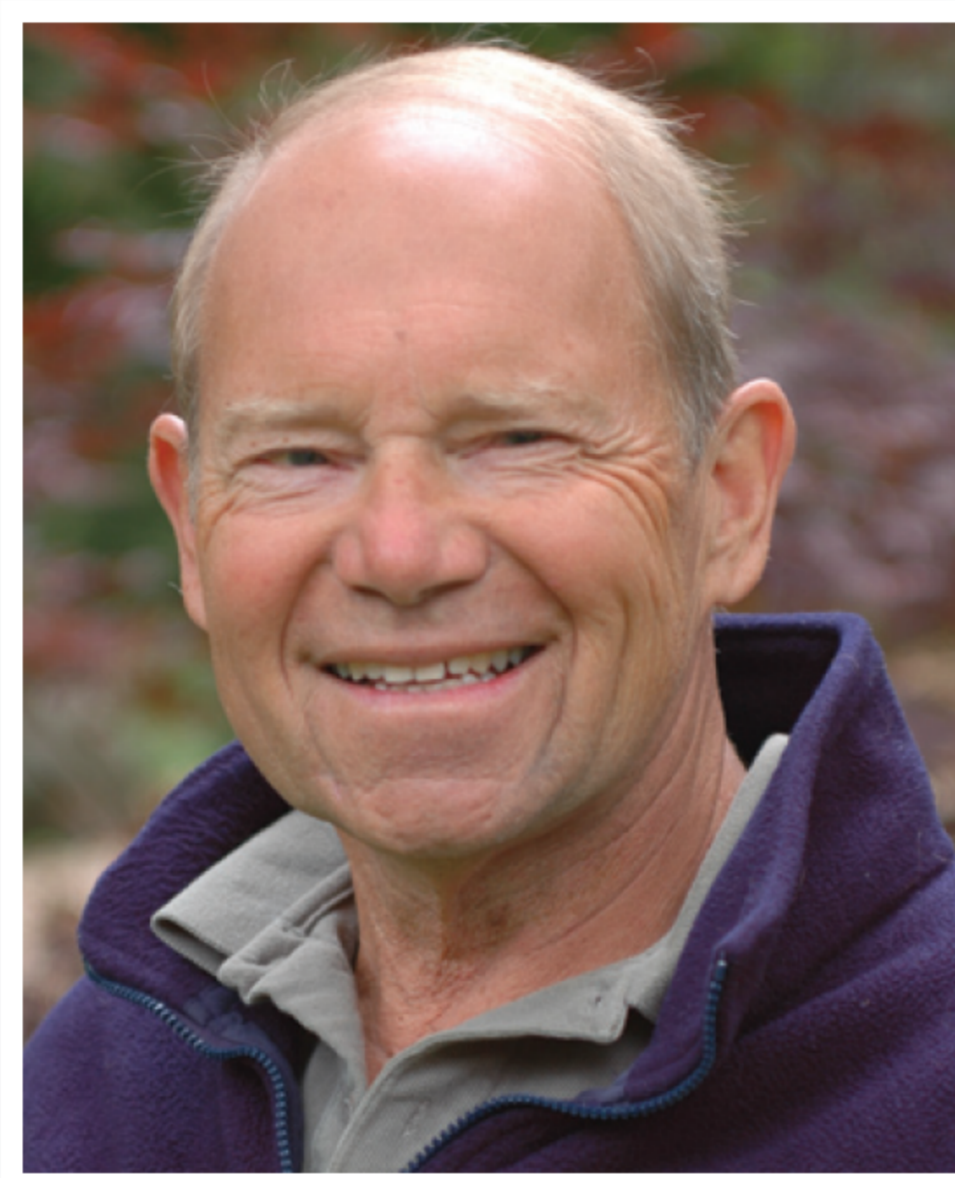


PS Tech Editor to Present at New Cruisers Winter Workshop

Productical Sailor Technical Editor Ralph Naranjo will be among the presenters at the Annapolis School of Seamanship's new Cruiser's Winter Workshop, set for Jan. 23-24, 2010, at the Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies (MITAGS) in Linthicum Heights, Md. Other presenters at the workshop will be Steve D'Antonio, technical editor of PassageMaker and owner of D'Antonio Marine Consulting; Lee Chesneau, former NOAA Senior Marine Meteorologist and owner of Chesneau's Marine Weather; and John Martino, founder and president, Annapolis School of Seamanship.



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The interactive presentations will offer an in-depth look at a variety of topics important to cruisers from passage planning and weather to onboard systems and collision avoidance. Participants will also be able to tour the maritime simulation facilities at the institute, where captains and pilots from around the world go to hone their shiphandling and electronic navigation skills.

The \$475 cost covers the following: full group sessions, small

group break-out sessions, an interactive simulator tour; lunch and dinner on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday; lodging at MITAGS hotel; and a wrap-up panel discussion with all the presenters. A free shuttle for those flying in also will be provided between the conference center and BWI Airport.

To register, visit www.annapolisschoolofseamanship.com or call 866/369-2248.

SI-TEX 'ALIVE AND WELL'

During Si-Tex Marine Electronics transition to new owners after its sale in August, the company stopped accepting products for repairs, creating some confusion among customers and other *PS* readers as to whom to contact regarding Si-Tex products. According to company executives, Si-Tex is now accepting products for repairs. Its new facility in Riverhead, N.Y., has been open for business since October and is now providing sales, service, and product support. Formerly part of Koden America, Si-Tex Marine Electronics (NSME Inc.) is "alive and well," according to Vice President of Sales Allen Schneider, and will be launching new products at the Miami Boat Show in February. Customers looking for repairs or product support can contact Si-tex online at www.si-tex.com or 631/996-2690.