

The Officers, Directors and Members of

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are pleased to present the

ARTHUR B. HANSON RESCUE MEDAL

to

WINFIELD L. COOPER

FOR THE RESCUE AS FOLLOWS:

Reported 11/19/01.

On May 31, 1992, during a Port Huron Yacht Club Spring Series race, we were racing in a local Sunday race. The owner skipper, Harry LeVac on a 30 Square Meter was washed overboard in 6-8 foot seas in cold water in Lake Huron. I watched as his green crew sailed by him at full speed. We dropped out of the race, started the engine, dropped the sails and picked Harry out of the water. He was cold and disoriented and could not climb up our stern ladder. The crew had to lift him onto the boat. We stripped him and warmed him up. We then proceeded back to the club and put him on his boat about 1/2 hour later so he could help the green crew dock the boat. Harry did not have a PFD. Our crew all had PFD's on.

Winfield L. Cooper

**The Arthur B. Hanson Rescue Medal was awarded to
Winfield L. Cooper for this rescue event.**