

Discover the Ocean, Inc. <sup>SM</sup>

**Discover the Ocean, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that provides character-building programs for youths through experiential learning at sea.**

**Students directly confront challenges of the ocean environment** in ways that help them discover enhanced self-esteem, self-confidence, a sense of responsibility, and the rewards of hard work and play. Teamwork and cooperation are encouraged by professional staff.

*Discover the Ocean* is founded on the belief that this kind of experiential learning assists young people to adopt healthier life choices, based on appropriate self-esteem. Participants are given as much responsibility as they can safely handle. They find out who they are and what they can do in unfamiliar situations where doing the right thing really counts.

**The program fosters an understanding of the natural elements, builds inner strength tempered by personal adversity, and offers a communal bond formed by collective effort and shared enjoyment.**

*Discover the Ocean* was created and incorporated in 1993 by the present Executive Director, Nancy Carson and received the 501(c)3 status in August of 1994. **All staff members are substance-free individuals who practice healthy lifestyles that express their spiritual values.**

## Boat Camp Activities

How would you like to:

- Become a trained crew person and help operate a 42-foot diesel trawler, fishing and exploring local waters
- Do some serious ocean angling, including **big game fishing for tuna, yellowtail, marlin, and dorado**
- Learn and practice coastal navigation, piloting, and boating safety
- Learn how to use high-tech marine instruments like Loran, radar, GPS, graphic sonar, and piloting simulators
- Earn a course certificate to qualify for more advanced programs offered by *Discover the Ocean*
- Spend the night on the boat Friday nights at the dock
- Anchor out overnight at the Coronado Islands
- Experience teamwork, companionship, shared interests and a common bond with five other teens
- Find out about what a nautical career could be like
- Earn school credit (subject to approval) for the Fridays spent on the boat.