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“So Others May Live” Earns Excellence in Boating Journalism Award

Globe Pequot Publishing author Martha LaGuardia-Kotite has been honored by top U.S. Marine journalists in an annual writing contest conducted by members of Boating Writers International (BWI). Her book **SO OTHERS MAY LIVE: COAST GUARD RESCUE SWIMMERS (The Lyons Press, June 2006, \$22.95, Hardcover)** was recognized in the Boating Adventures category, a new category that pulled in 46 entries for its debut.

“So Others May Live” is the untold story of the U.S. Coast Guard’s quiet but resolute rescue swimmers. From deep ocean caves on the Oregon coast to the panicked and chaotic streets of post-Katrina New Orleans, here are their stunningly heroic stories, some the greatest maritime rescues attempted since the program began in 1985. These feats, told through the eyes of the heroes, reveal an understanding of how and why the rescuer, with flight crew assistance, risks his or her own life to reach out to save a stranger.

In its 14th year, the BWI contest attracted 189 participants submitting 598 entries, presenting cash awards and Certificates of Merit. Each of the contest’s 15 categories was judged by four active journalists. BWI is a non-profit professional organization consisting of writers, broadcasters, editors, publishers and others in the communications profession associated with the boating industry.

Author Martha J. LaGuardia-Kotite is a 1989 graduate of the Coast Guard Academy and a writer with hundreds of magazine articles to her credit. She now serves as a Commander in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves. A portion of the author’s proceeds from the sale of this book will be donated to the Coast Guard Rescue Swimmer School for the development of a new aquatic facility in Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

SO OTHERS MAY LIVE
Coast Guard Rescue Swimmers: Saving Lives, Defying Death
By Martha J. LaGuardia-Kotite

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