

**CULTURAL MARINE SCIENCE
RESEARCH DIVERS
INTRODUCE
CLASSROOM ON THE PIER
JOIN US FOR AN EXPLORATORY DIVE OFF
THE STEEPLECHASE PIER
NEAR KEY SPAN PARK - BOARDWALK AT 19TH ST.
TAKE AN UNDERWATER LOOK
AT CONEY ISLAND!**



**15-Year-Old Jared Dives the
1943 Mark V Diving Helmet**

Commercial Divers Gene Ritter and Lenny Speregen will give you a unique look at their underwater expedition, from above--on a monitor showing it all, *Live!* You'll be amazed at what you'll see, including tropical fish in our very own waters! Kids and adults alike are invited to this *free* event to learn a bit of Archaeology, Marine Biology, History, some of the concerns of our local ecosystem--and about the diving equipment the divers use to "Go Below".

The Historical Diving Society will display Vintage Diving Equipment

Dr. Merryl Kafka from the New York Aquarium and

Marine Biologist Lou Siegel will be our guest speakers for this event.

Brooklyn Borough Historian Ron Schweiger will talk about Coney

Island's wonderful history; Artist/Writer Beth Poznansky Ritter

will draw some Underwater Artifacts. All this and more!

**OPENING DAY OF THE BEACH
THURSDAY, MAY 27TH 2004, 12 NOON - 4P.M.**

EXPLORE WITH US!

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