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Membership Renewal: Now through 01/31/19

Current Members:

Annual membership fee of \$70.00 plus \$20 to receive the hard



copy monthly newsletter for the whole year.

Life Members:

You are eligible to be a life member if you are 70 or older as of December 31, 2018 <u>and</u> you joined BEFORE March 31, 2009 <u>and</u> you have been a regular and/or associate member for over 10 consecutive years as of December 31, 2017. If you had any lapses in membership in the past 10 years, you are NOT a Life Member.

New Members:

First year membership of \$80.00 which includes a \$10.00 one-time administrative charge.

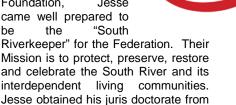
Online renewal is preferred for all categories of membership. However, if you insist, paper forms will be accepted.

Brunch Dec 9th

How will Maryland Fare When another Hurricane Harvey Comes Our Way?

Jesse Iliff, Esq. will detail the answer: the more forest we protect, the better off we will be.

With years of environmental litigation experience, having provided services to community groups and non-profit organizations through the Chesapeake Legal Foundation, Jesse came well prepared to be the "South



Certificate of Concentration in Environmental Law.

The South River is a 10-mile-long tributary of the Chesapeake Bay in Anne Arundel Count. It lies south of the Severn River, east of the Patuxent

River, and north of the West and Rhode Rivers, and drains into the massive Chesapeake Bay. The State's aquifers already have trouble keeping up with demand even as flooding continues. He says "the more forest we protect the better off we will be".

Join us to understand the outcome of the 2018 Maryland General Assembly bill to strengthen the State's Forest Conservation Act. It was meant to protect forests, empower local governments and require honest accounting of the costs of forest cleared during development. Where do we go from here? Please note, we will be back in the COASTAL Room on the ground floor.

Awards on Bourbon Street - January 26, 2019

the University of Maryland with a

Please join us as we celebrate our 2018 SOS award winners in the sassy/jazzy atmosphere of New Orleans!

Embrace the Big Easy as you sit back and groove to the sounds of relaxing jazz music at dinner, then be ready to break out those dancing shoes for a vibe you won't want to resist.

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis **Cost:** \$60 with **cash bar**

Dress: Business Casual Menu: Salmon, Flank Steak, Vegetarian Option

Time: 5:30 – 10:30

Treat yourself to an overnight stay and be well rested for the SOS Brunch on Sunday. Rooms are very reasonable right now but the cost will increase around the Holidays. Hope to see you there.

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



privilege of serving as your Commodore for the next year I am joined by Sandy Rosswork as Vice Commodore, Cathy Laws as Secretary and Teresa Scofield as Treasurer. Dana Stoffregen, Jan Warfield, Coco Languetuit, and Jerry Axler are additional new Board members and Janet Gonski remains. Thank Alan you Osterholm, Gretchen Young, Joan Tannen for your service.

The Club is in good shape with good policies and well organized committees thanks to the Commodore, Officers, Board, Committee Chairs and numerous throughout volunteers Gonski Janet Commodore has led with grace and skill for two years. Thank you, Janet both personally and on behalf of the club

The following have agreed to continue as committee chairs, Ned Schwartz, First Mates, Laura Gwinn and Noreen McGuire. Cruising: John McDonald, Database: Shirley Brooks-Hollendusky, Newsletter; Marv Ellen Murphy, Social: John Rogers, Skippers Advisory; Donna Kachura, Membership; Suzanne Vaughn, Brunch, Kathy Haven, Bareboat; Beth Dumesco is now Chair of Public Relations rather than Safety; Joan Tannen is Chair of Safety. Thank you to Doug Townsend, Skippers Advisory, and Beth Dumesco for their past service as Committee Chairs.

Education chair is open so please step up if you are interested. Education is in great shape as Lorraine Fassett already has a

number of regional fireside chats and Irene Aronian has Spring Training in hand to occur March 16, 2018.

Suzanne Vaughn's latest Brunch with Dr. Higgs talk on the volunteer Smithsonian archeology digs on the Rhode River was great and well attended.

Check Fleet Exercises list of events in the Whiskerpole for the December 6th Brunch, December 8th Parade of Lights party, the December 9th Brunch on Environmental concerns and other events. (Thank you Ned Schwartz for organizing this list each month.) Put the January 26th Awards Banquet on your calendar and send any nominations for the Awards to Sandy Rosswork, Vice Commodore.

Singles on Sailboats is a great club whose members share a passion for sailing. I hope each of you are sharing the great things with others and encouraging them to join.

What is your favorite sailing memory? Mine is at helm coming out of the Patuxent with the sun, the sails, and the winds, as we were going over hull speed!

Becky

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

John Filippini - Reston VA. Nancy Gipe - Annapolis MD.

BANK BALANCE 10/31/18

Checking Credit Card Balance	\$16.377 (\$7,077)
Savings Account Total	\$ <u>73,368</u> \$82,038
Bareboat Escrow	\$65,049

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Seminars Return: An opportunity for in-depth education

Night Sailing, January 12, 1:00 – 5:00 Have you been intrigued by night sailing but thought you didn't have the skills to attempt it? Then come to this Seminar to hear Delivery Captains Dane and Ursula Skagen answer your questions and share their night sailing knowledge based on years of blue water and coastal sailing. With these new skills you will be ready to venture out to sail under the next full moon! Although this is geared for the experienced sailor, everyone is welcome.

Boating Safety, **February 2**, **1:00 – 5:00**. This Seminar is appropriate for all skill levels and will be presented by the USCG Auxiliary. The format will be a 50-minute presentation on one topic, followed by Q&A before moving on to the next topic. Discussion will include, but not limited to:

- overview of federal and state (Maryland) laws & regulations
- law enforcement and safety- roles and responsibilities of the USCG, USCG Aux, and DNR
- update on new technologies- VHF radio, GPS, etc.
- optional equipment to enhance safety (navigation equipment, life raft, etc)
- marine resources on the Bay- weather buoys, NOAA apps, etc.
- review of "Rules of the Road"
- "Green Boat" initiative

WATCH THE LIGHTS PARADE IN COMFORT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

Watch the 40 or more boats of the Lights Parade burst into light on Saturday, December 8, at 6:00 PM. Enjoy the parade in warmth and comfort from a waterfront room at the Annapolis (Marriott) Waterfront Hotel. See this wonderful show of splendid color and twinkling lights with each boat decorated in a Christmas theme. Avoid the cold and wintry night and join your friends at the Annapolis (Marriott) Waterfront Hotel to watch the Parade.

Drinks and eats will be available in the room starting at about 5:00. Our overview of the Lights Parade will be fantastic from a large balcony which gives a view of "Ego Alley" and the immediate waterfront. This is a great opportunity for photographers to capture a winning view of this colorful holiday event.

Cost for this event will be \$40.00 per person. Send your check made out to SOS, to Sandy Rosswork (511 Chesapeake Ave, Annapolis, 21403). Beer, wine, sodas and sandwiches will be provided. Participants are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert. Call or email Sandy Rosswork for more information and to sign up and indicate what you will bring. Don't wait too long....attendance must be limited due to the size of the room!! Call 410-267-8739 or email [sgrosswork@aol.com].

Parking will not be provided at the hotel. Park in Eastport and walk across the bridge, or park at one of the city garages and take the free shuttle into town. The hotel room will be open from about 4:30 PM. The Parade starts at 6:00 and the Spa Creek Bridge will open about then to let the boats through. Traffic will be heavy as time gets closer to the start of the parade.

Oh yeah.....what happens to the room when the party is over?? Well, the plan is to draw a name from those who have signed up and..... the lucky winners will be able to stay for the night!

UNOFFICIAL NOTES NOVEMBER 1, 2018 BOARD MEETING

Joint Old Board and New Board:

Discussion on membership growth, improving what is already in place and where the funds come from are spent. Old Board Members provided and overview of the committees they are liaison to.

On Dec. 1 from 9 am until 1 pm the board and committee chairs will meet at Park Place to discuss new board topics and direction.

The Old Board members went into Executive Session to complete a previously discussed item.

New Bo ard received Nominations for key Board positions; the results are:

- Commodore Becky Strandberg
- Vice Commodore Sandy Rosswork
- Treasurer Teresa Scofield
- Secretary Cathy Laws

The New Board Discussion:

- document retention policy.
- how "Executive Sessions" work and the importance of document retention in a separate binder.
- Bareboat and Safety asking about communication problems between committee chairs as Cruising, Bareboat and Safety keep their own records.
- location and time of upcoming Board Meetings.
- Database has created a new look for the FORMS and SUCH Page.
- Cruising has deactivated boat with illegal head and requested a board recommendation regarding specific needs to be compliant.
- Awards Banquet will be January 26, 2019 at the Doubletree. \$60.00 with a Cash Bar. The theme will be "Awards on Bourbon Street."

Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

Please <u>email</u> your questions and request for directions to the coordinator.

If you are **paying by check** for any sailing event, **a paper Sailing Registration Form must accompany the check**. A copy of this form can be found on the SOS website under Forms and Such – Cruising – Sailing Registration Form.

Plan to mail your check early to the **event coordinator**, **not the SOS mail box**.

Many events have limited capacity; therefore, an event may be filled even before the deadline date.

The postmark is the date used as the mail in cutoff/deadline date.

All checks are to be made payable to SOS, Inc.

Note: Effective January 1, 2018, individual request for refunds will incur a \$3 Administration Fee Non-members must submit a Sailing Registration Form.

December 6 Thursday Board Meeting

Location: Commons Room **Time:** 7:00 to 10:00pm

Greenbrier Community Building
7600 Hanover Parkway
Greenbelt. MD 20770

Doors open 6:45pm
Open to all Members

December 8 Saturday Parade of Lights Viewing

Location: Annapolis Waterfront Hotel by **Cost:** \$40 Plus bring an appetizer or desert

Time: 5:00pm

Coordinator and Sandy Rosswork Note: Contact the coordinator directly.

Hostess: sgrosswork@aol.com - Space limit of 25

December 9 Sunday Brunch

Marriott, Annapolis, MD

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Cost: \$31 - Brunch
Annapolis, MD \$32 - After deadline and walk-ins.

Speaker/Topic: Jesse Illiff, South River Time: 11:00 am Social Hour

Federation, Current 12:00 noon Brunch
Environmental Legislation. 1:00 pm Program

Deadline: Mail: November 30 (postmark) Note: Meet in the COASTAL room

Online: December 4

Coordinator: Maureen Wright Maureen@objects.net
Please be sure to log-in first, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

December 25 Tuesday Christmas Day Dinner - Burtonsville

Location: Home of Henrietta Hyatt-Knorr, **Cost:** Food contribution and small donation

Burtonsville, MD

Deadline: December 21 **Note:** This is NOT an on-line coordination.

Coordination is thru Debbie directly via email.

Note: Last minute? Call Debbie to see if space is

available

Coordinator: Debbie Goldberg <u>Hidebbieg@yahoo.com</u>

December 25 Tuesday Christmas Day Dinner - Annapolis

Location: Home of Barbara Mistrik, **Cost:** Food contribution and small donation.

Edgewater, MD

Note: This is NOT an on-line coordination.

Coordination is thru Barbara directly via

Deadline: December 21 **Note:** Last minute? Call Barbara to see if space is

available

Coordinator: Host Barbara Mistrik Bmistrik@covad.net

January 3 Thursday Board Meeting

Location: TBD Time: 7:00 to 10:00pm

Notes: Doors open 6:45pm
Open to all Members

January 6 Sunday Fireside Chat: Baltimore/Essex/Middle River

Location: Baltimore, MD **Cost**: \$20, member or guest

Speaker/Topic: Kathy Haven, "The Great Kent Host Art Hoffman, Island to Trinidad and Back Time: 3-6 PM

Cruising Adventure"

Deadline: Mail: December 27 (postmark) **Note:** Non-members must be accompanied by

Online: January 2 member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. Limited to 18 persons.

Coordinator: Bill Small, smallfavors@hotmail.com

Annapolis, MD

Coordinator:

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

January 12 Saturday Seminar for Skippers, FM, Experienced Crew

Location: Park Place Condos **Cost:** \$15 – Members only

Community Room \$18 – After deadline. No Walk-ins

5 Park Place Limited to 15 participants

Topic: Night Sailing Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Speaker: Dane & Ursula Skagen

Deadline: Mail: January 7 (postmark) Note: Coffee and Snacks provided

Shirley Brooks Hollendursky shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com

Online: January 9

Please be sure to log-in first, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

January 19 Saturday Fireside Chat: Annapolis

Location: Annapolis, MD **Cost:** \$20, member or guest

Speaker/Topic: Dennis Krizek, "The Perilous Host Lorraine Fassett

Journey of the Skipjack, Wilma **Time**: 5 PM

Lee, 1940 to Present: Murder, Dismasting and a Hurricane"

Deadline: Mail: January 11 (postmark) Note: Non-members must be accompanied by

Online: January 15 member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.

Limited to 18 persons. brdinator: Bev Nash, beverlynash@verizon.net

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Ceremonies:

January 19 Fireside Chat: Montgomery Co./No. Virginia Saturday

Rockville, MD Cost: \$20, member or quest Location:

Speaker/Topic: Peter and Joan Stogis, "Cruising Host Barbara Wise

> the Higher Latitudes: Iceland, Time: 5 PM Greenland, Alaska, Svalbard"

Deadline: Mail: January 11 (postmark) Note: Non-members must be accompanied by

> Online: January 15 member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.

Limited to 15 persons.

Coordinator: Suzanne Vaughn, suzyvaughn2@gmail.com

Please be sure to log-in first, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

Awards on Bourbon Street January 26 Saturday

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Cost: \$60

Annapolis, MD \$65 – After deadline and walk-ins. Master of

5:30 pm Social - Cash Bar John McDonald & TBD 6:00 - 7:00 pm Dinner

Band: 7:30 - 10:30 pm Awards & Dancing TBD /more awards and more dancing Deadline:

Mail: January 15 (postmark) Note: Dress Code: Business Casual Online: January18

Coordinator: Linda Perkins linhper@yahoo.com

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

January 27 **Brunch** Sunday

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Cost: \$31 - Brunch

Annapolis, MD \$32 – After deadline and walk-ins.

Speaker/Topic: TB Confirmed. Time: 11:00 am Social Hour

12:00 noon Brunch 1:00 pm Program

Deadline: Mail: January 21 (postmark) Note: Meet in the COASTAL room

Online: January 22

Coordinator: Nancy Morgan, nancyruthmorgan@gmail.com,

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

February 2-10 Saturday to Sunday **Belize 2019 Bareboat Cruise Adventure**

Central America on the western \$1900 + +Destination: Cost:

border of the Caribbean Sea

Note: Contact trip coordinator if interested.

Coordinator: Deb Kauffman debkauffman@comcast.net

Go to sosbareboat.simplesite.com for more details

February 2 Saturday Seminar for All Skill Levels - Boating Safety

Heritage Community Club House Location: Cost: \$15 - Members only

1319 Hawkins Lane \$18 - After deadline. No Walk-ins

Annapolis, MD Limited to 20 participants

Time: 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Speaker/Topic: **USCG** Auxiliary

Boating Safety

Deadline: Mail: January 28 (postmark) Note: Coffee and Snacks provided

Online: January 30

Coordinator: Lynn Gilley Itgilley@verizon.net Please be sure to log-in first, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org December 2018 **Whisker Pole**



February 7 Location:

Thursday

Board Meeting TBD

Time: 7:00 to 10:00pm

Doors open 6:45pm

Notes: Open to all Members

February 9 Saturday Fireside Chat: Howard Co./Frederick

Location: Woodbine, MD Cost: \$20, member or quest

Speaker/Topic: Janet Gonski/ "Of Boats and Host Karl Scible **Bridges: Creating Nautical Art** Time: 5:00 PM

Even When You Thought You

Couldn't Draw"

Deadline: Mail: February 1 (postmark) Note: Non-members must be accompanied by

> Online: February 5 member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.

> > Limited to 18 persons.

Coordinator: Janet Gonski, JGsunset@Yahoo.com

Please be sure to log-in first, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

February 17 Sunday Regional Brunches

Location: Held in private homes of SOS Cost: \$10 payable at the door plus a dish to share

members. List of hosts will be published in January. Then Time: 11:00 am Social Hour

members contact host to register 12:00 noon Brunch and receive directions.

Deadline: Contact host by February 12 Note: No online sign-up for this event. Please

RSVP directly to the host.

Coordinator: To volunteer to host a brunch, contact Suzanne Vaughn, suzyvaughn@aol.com

Directions:

Greenbriar Center, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, MD.

From Washington Beltway (Interstate 95/495), Exit onto Baltimore/Washington (BW) Parkway toward Baltimore. Exit BW Parkway at the first exit (to Greenbelt), bear left on exit ramp to Greenbelt Road (east), make first left at light onto Hanover Parkway and turn immediately left into Greenbriar Center parking lot. Enter side door off lot, walk through room to stairs and take to second floor room. From Balto/Phila: Take I-295 to Greenbelt/MD 193 exit. Left at end of ramp, then bear left. Take the second left onto Hanover Pkwy. Then as above.

The DoubleTree Hilton Hotel: 210 Holiday Court, Annapolis, MD, 21401; 410-224-3150

Take Rt 50 East to Exit 22, Riva Rd. Follow signs to Riva Rd. and make left at light onto Riva Rd. Second light, left onto Holiday Court.



Cruising Committee End of Season Report

The November 10th Cruising Appreciation Dinner marked the official end of the cruising season. As was stated at the dinner "it was the best of times, it was the worst of times." It sure seemed like one day of good sailing brought several days of bad weather. But, we can celebrate the 13 FMs who brought their skills on 33 occasions to help out skippers and new members. Bill Knapp was the top-sailing FM with 7 sails. The top sailing skippers were Emil Becker (3 weekend, 6 day sails) and Ron Pence (8 weekend, 1 day sails). We had a total of 29 skippers sail with crew on 120 sails! And a total of 590 sailors!

Although the sailing season is over, the next couple months are busy for Cruising Committee. We will be planning next year's schedule, which should be complete by mid-to end-December. If you have ANY suggestions, please feel free to contact us at cruisingchair@singlesonsailboats.org. Although the schedule will be mostly complete by the time you read this, it can (and often is) always be edited/changed before finalized.

If your New Year's Resolution (never too early!) is to contribute to the Club to make it a healthier, thriving organization,



Awards, Awards, and More Awards!



At the January 26th Awards Dinner, SOS will recognize four members for their significant contributions of time, energy and talent (the serious member recognition awards) to our all-volunteer Club. Members will also be recognized for contributing whimsical, good-natured humor through their foibles, bloopers, and flim flams (the Jibe Ho awards). Nominations from the membership are requested and should include nominee's name, award for which she/he is nominated, and a description of why the nominee qualifies for the particular award. Nominations should be sent to Vice Commodore Sandy Rosswork vicecommodore@singlesonsailboats.org .no later than January 1st

<u>Commodore's Award:</u> The Board of Directors established the annual Commodore's award so that the highest ranking officer of the Club could extend public recognition and many thanks to an individual who has made significant contributions in fostering the goals of Singles on Sailboats, and who continues to contribute to many aspects of the Club. Nominations for the award are accepted from the general membership.

Ed Klein Member of the Year Award: Singles on Sailboats owes its beginnings to Ed Klein. He co-sponsored the first rafts of two or three boats, the first brunches, the first social gatherings. But Ed offered more. He would teach you to sail without regard for your past experience or future expectations. Ed would take you aboard his boat, The Mai Kai, give you the helm, and develop your skills. He would challenge you to extend your horizons. He was one of those unique individuals who shared his joy of sailing with you. Ed sailed beyond this world in 1987. Nominations for the award come from the general membership.

Elinor W. "Elli" Abramson Award for Contributions to SOS Education Programs: Eli_Abramson created many new educational programs for the members of Singles on Sailboats. After serving on the Board of Directors for two years, she gradually built an all-encompassing education program that provides the opportunity to broaden one's knowledge of sailing at minimal cost. She transformed the spring education program so that it attracts more participants than any other SOS event. Elli sailed beyond this world in 1992. Nominations are accepted from the general membership, and the Education Committee Chairperson(s) recommends the recipient.

Rookie of the Year Award: Singles on Sailboats attracts many new sailors each year. The Board of Directors established the annual Rookie of the Year Award to recognize the individual who, in his or her first year sailing with SOS, demonstrates superior interest in and learning about sailing, and who becomes highly involved in one or more of the many SOS programs. Nominations for the award come from the general membership.

You Ought to be in Pictures: The 2018 SOS Photo Contest

Have you taken **stellar shots** of this year's SOS activities? If so, keep on shooting! If not, start taking photos to be submitted to the 2018 Photo Contest.

- 1. Entries must be taken at an SOS event in 2018 by the member of SOS submitting the photo. A photo does not necessarily have that event as a theme (a picture of Annie Anchorage at a raft-up or the sunset seen from a raft-up is acceptable, even though there is nothing in the picture to prove that it was taken at a raft-up or cruise.) We are on the "Honor System". An official SOS event can be cruising, day-sail, a brunch, seminar, destination cruise, etc. Happy Hours are not included.
- 2. Each photo **must** identify at which SOS event it was taken and the name of the photographer.
- 3. Photos must be submitted by midnight on 21 Dec 2018.
- 4. This is an amateur photographer contest. Professional photographers i.e. anyone who earns more than 50 percent of his or her annual income from photography are excluded from the contest.
- 5. Each member may submit up to a **total of eight (8) photos**.
- 6. Photos may be edited to achieve color balance that reflects the scene as you observed it. Cropping is also acceptable. Heavily manipulated photos are **not** eligible.

Categories: People, Bay scenes (including sunsets), Sailboats (sailboats under sail, raft-ups), and Destination Cruises. The Destination Cruises category includes photos taken during the

actual SOS destination cruises and photos taken on days when traveling prior to or after a destination cruise.

Other U seful i nformation: Submit your photos in digital format. Send photos attached to emails or mail a disk that includes the photos. Submit photos in high



resolution. The photos will be enlarged to 5" x 7", so if the photo is fuzzy, it reduces your chance of winning. Photos not submitted in the 5" x 7" format will be cropped to that format. Smart phone photos may be submitted. Please select high resolution for photos in your smart phone setup.

Judging: The photo contest managers will put your photos in the correct category. There will be 1st through 3rd place awards for each of the People, Bay Scenes, and Sailboats categories. There will be 1st through 6th place awards for the Destination Cruises category. There will also be a Grand Prize award. The photos will be judged by Don Dement, an Annapolis-area professional photographer from outside the club. The judging will be blind, so the judge will not know which photographer took any given photo.

SEND Photo Entries to:

2018.sos.photos@gmail.com (please do not send entries to our personal emails.)

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John and Nancy Parsons SOS Photo Contest Managers 1314 Homewood Lane, Annapolis, MD 21401

SCUTTLEBUTT

(A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip)



Carole Lowry has finally had the cast and brace removed from her right arm but is still a little uncomfortable. It was just in time to close the boat for the season, having missed most of it. She is still slogging through therapy to produce flexibility in a 4" steel plate and 5 screws to the phalanges. She and Gil have been enjoying some wonderful trips to Colorado, Texas, and Montreal Canada.

Jon Bernheimer is back from five days of helping a friend take his boat from Solomons, MD to Beaufort, NC via the Intra-Coastal Waterway. It was the first time for Jon, and less difficult than he thought it would be. There was adequate depth the entire trip, and a rather desolate beauty in the surroundings. There were plenty of friendly people on other boats, and many with their friendly dogs.

Barb Shoemaker and **John Rogers** are trying the live-aboard lifestyle, traveling the ICW to Florida and beyond. At writing time, they were in Myrtle Beach. They are traveling with 18 other sailboats under Wally Moran's Sail to the Sun.

Jim Huber has been hired to take Sam Owings boat to Puerto Rico. He will be leaving sometime in November.

Geri Walker and five others were scheduled to do the Canal du Midi which was destroyed by storm three days before they left. They had planned a one-way Castelnaudary to Cassafieres on the Mediterranean. Le Boat put them on the Aquitaine, round trip, but there was not a lot to see. All of the lock houses were shuttered, and there were no gardens. They did go over the aqueduct which they enjoyed. Agen is an industrial city, so they didn't stop. They ate well, although most of restaurants and one museum were closed for season. There was good wine at 4 to 8 euros.

Bev Nash and Oren Wolfe picked up a brand-new Thor 22-foot RV in May at the factory in Wakarusa, Indiana to deliver it to Great Alaskan Holidays in Anchorage Alaska for their summer rental season. The unit started falling apart almost immediately and was so noisy they could not talk to each other or listen to music while driving. But they still had a great time, visiting Mount Rushmore and Devil's Tower National Parks, camping in spectacularly beautiful campgrounds, seeing all kinds of wildlife and visiting long time friends in Saskatchewan and Alaska. They also had Canadian Royal Mounted Police come to their rescue when a broken mud flap support was causing problems shortly before crossing from Canada into Alaska. The trip certainly convinced them that they never want to own an RV! Bev has lots and lots of photos, if anyone is interested.

Wonderful Winter Fireside Chats Await You

Combine a welcoming home, good food and drinks along with exciting and informative programs that will be presented by various, multifaceted members of SOS. The New Year starts with one on January 6 as Kathy Haven takes us on a round trip sail to Trinidad. Then on January 19 there will be two presentations, one in Annapolis and one in Rockville. In Annapolis Dennis Krizek will relate the perilous journeys of the skipjack, Wilma Lee and in Rockville Peter and Joan Stogis will share their experiences while sailing in the higher latitudes of Iceland, Greenland, Svalbard and Alaska.

For those living in the Frederick and West Howard County area Janet Gonski will offer the opportunity to view and make your own nautical art on February 9. On February 23 in Bethesda Emil Becker presents his transit through the Panama Canal by sailboat. Also on that date, Sandy Rosswork will take us into the watery environment of southwestern Africa with its spectacular flora and fauna.

On March 2, in Rockville, Debra Roane will offer another opportunity to view the photos of the African adventure. In Annapolis on March 9, Anne George will fill us in on sex in the Chesapeake Bay as it relates to oysters, crabs and jellyfish. Oh my!

Each one of these presentations is guaranteed to ease the blahs of winter so check the Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave section of your Whiskerpole and sign up early. You will be glad you did.

Lorraine Fassett, FSC Chairman

Membership Report:

	2018	2017	2016
Members	439	479	513
Skippers	91	116	113
Totals	530	595	626

Life Members	182
Regular Members	308
Male Members	222
Female Members	308

Blue Lips Cruise



(L to R): Joan Tannen, Teeja & Dan Meiers and Coco Lanquetuit (TS)



(L to R): Bill Knapp, Laura Gwinn and Deborah Beck Kauffman (TS)



(L to R): Irene Aronian, Teresa Scofield and Dennis Krizek (TS)



Dinner photos: Too many names to list. . . . (TS)



Coco Lanquetuit (RAW)



Mary Chevalier (RAW)



Bill Knapp (RAW)

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Cruising Appreciation Dinner



(L to R): Becky Strandberg and Ned Schwartz (JFP)



(L to R): Lynn Gilley, Coco Lanquetuit and Lorraine Fassett (JFP)



(L to R): Hope Andruss and Mary Moore (JFP)



George Hollendursky (JFP)



Laura Gwinn (JFP)



Lynn Gilley (LG)



L to R: Sandy Rosswork, Dennis Krisek and Lynn Gilley (LG)

St. Michael's Oyster Feast



L to R: Lynn Gilley, Sandy Rosswork, Dennis Krisek and Laura Gwinn (LG)

November Brunch



Janet Gonski (R) presenting Becky Standberg (L) with the Commodore's flag



Janet Gonski



Becky Standberg presenting Janet Gonski with the Past Commodore's flag



L to R: Cindy Hooper and Sandy Rosswork



L to R: Cathy Law, Nancy Gipe, Mary Ellen Murphy, Catherine Fox and Beth Krushinskie



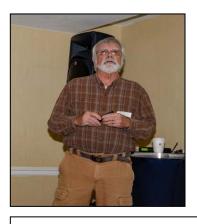
L to R: Julia Oravecz and John McDonald



L to R: Linda Perkins and Alex Daley



Michael Sommers



Speaker: Jim Gibb, PhD

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BOATS FOR SALE

25' O 'Day, 197 6 Beautiful sailer, with 9.9 Tohatsu outboard motor electric start, only 50 hours, new in 2014. Draft 36" to 6' with center-board down. Tiller replaced 5 years ago. New electric portable head never used. Main and jib in very good condition. \$6,000 firm: Contact Carole: carolelowery46@gmail.com Slip is paid through April 2019. No longer able to sail, winch, or handle tiller due to right arm injury.

1962 M ercer 44: "Spirit", classic Bill Tripp designed CCA fiberglass keel-centerboard sloop, rebuilt in 1998 & well maintained, third owner.Spirit sleeps 2 in the V-berth and up to 5 in the main salon. Since 2004 Spirit has been sailed on the Chesapeake and is now berthed in Irvington, VA on the Rappahannock River. Her details are located on her website: www.Mercer44.net \$99K. Contact SOS lifemember Floyd Hollister at fhh11@columbia.edu 10-18

1995 B oat Show S abre 38 M KII M asthead S loop, H ull 216. Parfait. Blue Awlgrip Hull, Gold Accent, Red Boot Strip. Fully Battened Mainsail with Atal Track, Dutchman Flaking System and Cover, 135% Genoa and Cruising Spinnaker with Sock, Windlass, 33lb. Bruce Anchor with 200 Chain and Danforth Anchor with 150' Rode. 38hp Westerbeke Diesel Engine, Two Blade Folding Prop, 12V Refrigerator/Freezer, Raymarine 48 Mile Radar, D120 Chart Plotter, Auto Pilot, 110V Air/Heat Air Conditioner, and much more. If interested, please contact Howard Newman at h.newman2@comcast.net

1987 Catalina 27: Wolf Pack - Sole owner, Furlex roller-furling, Universal 18 diesel, Raymarine i70/iTC-5 electronics, new Micron CSC bottom, Martec folding prop, UK and North sails, CNG 2-burner stove, bimini, always winter hauled, 8.5' West Marine dinghy. \$10,900. For more info contact John Petrow at jepva@yahoo.com

"BON CHANCE" – 29/25, 1974 Paceship, built by Britton Chance (1976 America's Cup); Atomic 4 engine; 5'2" draft; 8.5 beam, 8,000 lbs., fully restored - water tank, head/holding tank; new lifelines, all instruments and safety gear incl. Sails: Main, Genoa. MUST SEE/MUST SAIL \$8,500 Rock Hall/Swan Creek. Contact: mscarolniemand@gmail.com 10-18

For sa le b y o wner: Bristol 29. 9, 1979. Yanmar diesel engine, 15 hp. New jib; self-furling. Fully battened mainsail. Lazy jacks 2 years old. New halyard. Bottom painted last season. Modified full keel. Shoal draft. Dodger. In slip at Castle Harbor Marina (Chester, MD) paid through Dec. 2018. Contact: david.crosland@usdoj.gov 10-18

Tartan 37 , 1980 " Pilgrim" Classic Sparkman and Stephens design, Hull 288. Keel-centerboard, 4'2" draft, perfect for Chesapeake. Cutter-rigged, sheets and reefing lines all lead to cockpit for easy handling. Sail inventory includes cruising spinnaker with North snuffer. Autopilot. New propane range, 3 burners with oven, and rebuilt, engine-driven Sea Frost refrigeration. Sleeps 4 to 6 persons. Clean and well-maintained. Asking \$42,000. Contact ifstogis@comcast.net or

pedsto@compuserve.com 12-18

35' 1973 C&C Mark I. Solid fiberglass hull; no blisters. 30-HP diesel; folding prop; full-battened main with Dutchman System; roller furling; 4 headsails; bimini; Garmin GPS/Chartplotter; depth, speed, and wind speed/direction instruments; compass; VHS radio; battery charger; dripless stuffing box; hot water heater; head shower; convection microwave; 2-burner propane cooktop; AM/FM/CD; automatic bilge pump; spinnaker and whisker poles; anchor & rode; Control lines lead to cockpit; fast and fun to sail. \$14,500. Contact: johncfilippini@gmail.com. 12-18

BOAT SLIPS

Deepwater Slip available immediately. Join great dockmates on Mill Creek, Annapolis. Contact Suzanne Farr sofarr@aol.com 11-18

SLIP fo r S ALE Expensive but the best location in Annapolis. Condo slip on Spa Creek- 36' up to 42-43' with approval of the condo board). Easy, no fairway access, 9-10' depth. Short walk to Eastport and downtown Annapolis. Pool, TV lounge, exercise & billiard rooms, private laundramat, parking lot. This is the only place in Annapolis where you can buy a slip & live in it. Contact Steve Craig: svCarnival@gmail.com 09-18

SLIP f or RENT "Prime position 30 ft sailboat-depth slip; Severn House, Back Creek. Drive right up to load and unload. Contact Brian at: brian@henleyhanks.com

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ITEMS FOR SALE

155 M ylar/Kevlar Sail. Luff: 444 inches (-10.5" Tack to eye) (-5.0" to eye). Foot: 212 inches across, LEECH: 441,5 inches. Brand new composite 155 Mylar Kevlar sail. Appraised at \$2,500.00. OBO Contact: mscarolniemand@gmail.com



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Check below or SOS website for locations.

KEY WEST, FL: SOS HAPPY HOUR place and time to be Determined. Contact: TERRI AND KARL, 410-707-4319 or 267-221-6312

1st Wednesday

Dec 5th NVA/DC: 5:00 PM

MYLO'S GRILL 6238 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA 22101. Located in the Chesterbrook Shopping Center. Meet in the bar area. Free parking and great food!

703-533-5880 www.mylosgrill.com

CONTACT: TRISH - trishreml@gmail.com

1st Thursday

Dec 6th 5:30-7:30 PM **ELLICOTT CITY:**

BARE BONES Grill & Brewery 9150-22 Baltimore Natl Pk, (Corner of St. Johns Lane & Rt 40) Ellicott City, MD 21042 410-461-0770 www.barebonesgrill.com

JILL - jill.montgom@gmail.com CONTACT:

1st Thursday

Dec 6th **NEW JERSEY:** 5:30-7:30 PM

RIVERWIND'S RESTAURANT 1075 Riverwinds Drive, West Deptford, NJ 08096. Exit 21 off Route 295. Meet in the bar area. Happy hour pricing on drinks & apps 'til 7 PM. 856-579-7900 www.theriverwindsrestaurant.com

CONTACT: LORA - doniala@aol.com 1st Thursday

SE PA: (1STHH) Dec 6th 6:00 PM

AZIE ON MAIN 789 E. Lancaster Ave, Villanova, PA 19085. Near the Blue Route, 1 block West of Rt 320, Mall area behind FedEx. Back of Mall. Happy Hour prices 5:30-7 PM. 610-527-5700 www.azieonmain.com

CONTACT: PATTI - pattievans@aol.com

1st Thursday

SOUTH-CENTRAL PA: Dec 6th **CANCELED**

Join us on Jan 3rd at our new location New location will be determined and annouced in the January Whisker Pole.

BOB - sosrimorrow@aol.com CONTACT:

2nd Thursday

NEW VENUE

Dec 13th **BALTIMORE:** 5:00 - 7:00 PM

NICK'S FISH HOUSE 2600 Insulator Drive, Baltimore, MD 21230. Happy Hour pricing on select food & drinks 4-7 PM. 410-347-4123 www.nicksfishhouse.com

CONTACT: ART - arthoffman@ymail.com

3rd Wednesday

Dec 19th WILMINGTON: 5:30 PM

TIMOTHY'S Restaurant and Bar, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink specials until 7 PM. 302-429-7427 www.timothysontheriverfront.com

GERI - geriwalker12@gmail.com CONTACT:

3rd Thursday

Dec 20th ROCKVILLE: 5:00 - 7:00 PM

THE MARRIOTT Hotel 5701 Marinelli Rd, Bethesda, MD 20852. Located near the White Flint Metro station. Meet in the bar area or outside patio as weather permits.

301-822-9200 <u>www.marriott.com</u>

CONTACT: JON – jonbernheimer@verizon.net

3rd Thursday

Dec 20th **KENT ISLAND:** 4:30 - 7:00 PM

FISHERMAN'S INN 3116 Main Street, Grasonville, MD 21638. Happy Hour food and drink specials from 4-6 PM.

410-827-6666 www.fishermansinn.com

CONTACT: MARILYN - msgoods7@gmail.com

3rd Thursday SE PA: (2ND HH) Dec 20th 6:00 - 10:00 PM

HARVEST Seasonal Grill & Wine Bar 555 E. Lancaster Ave, Radnor, PA 19087. Happy Hour Specials 4:30-7 PM. 484-584-4975 <u>www.harvestseasonalgrill.com</u>

PATTI - pattievans@aol.com CONTACT:

4th Thursday

Dec 27th **ANNAPOLIS:** 5:00 - 7:00 PM

ANNAPOLIS SMOKEHOUSE & Tavern 107 Hillsmere Dr. (Forest Drive at Hillsmere), Annapolis, MD 21403. In the Bay Ridge Shopping Ctr, the shopping center with West Marine. Happy hour prices for beverages and select food.

410-571-5073 www.annapolissmokehouse.com

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December Celebrations

Dec 8 - Parade of Lights Viewing

Dec 9 - Brunch (Speaker from South River Federation)

Dec 25 - Regional Holiday Dinners

- Burtonsville
- Annapolis

