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March 14 SOS Spring Training: A Sure Sign of Spring!

Emil Becker

Signs of spring are the buds on the trees and the longer days. But sailors have their own way of celebrating spring with the **Spring Training event** sponsored by Singles On Sailboats, Inc (SOS). This annual event has been held for over 25 years. Last year over 250 sailors were in attendance!

This year's event is an all-day affair to be held on March 14, 2015 at Anne Arundel Community College in Arnold, MD. The theme is "Sail Better on the Bay in 2015"! SOS has assembled an extremely knowledgeable group of experts on different aspects of sailing and boat ownership. There are sessions on Sail Trim, Sail Care, Boat Electrical System, Apps for Navigation, Medical Emergencies on the Water and on and on – 36 different ones to be exact! The neat thing about the SOS Spring Training is that you can individually tailor your program of instruction to your own



needs and interests! There are sessions for just about everyone at every level of sailing skill and experience. So whether you are an "old salt" or new to sailing, Spring Training is for you! What you learn at the SOS Spring Training will help you to be a better sailor on those SOS bay cruises this spring, summer and fall.

All program details and online registration is available at www.Singlesonsailboats.org A paper registration form is available in this issue on pages 16-17. The cost for members is \$55 and \$75 for nonmembers and includes all instructional materials, buffet lunch and continental breakfast. Please sign up early since many sessions fill up fast and individuals are assigned to the sessions of choice on a first come, first served basis.

Please tell your non-member friends about Spring Training. It is something that they will not want to miss!

After Spring Training Party

Bob Lucas, Social Chair

Okay Sailors – so you've signed up for the Spring Training to learn about knots and all sorts of other seamanship skills, and your mind will be overflowing with all this new knowledge. So don't you think it would be good to relax afterwards? Well guess what? The Social Committee has just the right idea, and it's called "The After Spring Training Party".

The "Party" is only minutes away from the A.A.C.C. classrooms at The Clubhouse at Cape St. Claire, 1223 River Bay Rd., Annapolis. The party is 5:00pm to 10:00, plenty of time to enjoy your favorite beverages, famous BBQ ribs and chicken by *Adam's Ribs* with rolls, salads, veggies, and desserts! There will also be live music, by "the best blues/swing band in the DC Metro area" – The Smokin' Polecats!

The cost is \$41.00, but you have to register, so don't hesitate!! See "Fleet Exercises" for more details.

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VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



At lunch last week an SOS friend and I were talking about all of the opportunities that SOS offers its members. Each of us had a story about how SOS had made our life richer. For me, the first was to be able to sign up to sail and be semi-assured that I would have a berth for the

weekend and meeting lots of new friends along the way. (Ask Wayne Singley, Nancy Briggs, or Richard Green about my first weekend cruise with the club – there were nine of us on a charter boat.) Then finding an SOS member who was interested in being a co-owner of and buying a sail boat, the fulfillment of my decades-long dream. In 2000, the Bareboat Cruising program was developed and what a delight that is. With a minimum of planning you can sail with friends and explore distant parts of the world.

SOS is full of opportunities for you! Sailing, improving your sailing skills, making new friends you never would have met anywhere else, leading seminars, developing your leadership skills, having fun, expanding your horizons. Take the initiative! Call a Board Member or Committee Chair and volunteer. It's the best way to get the most from SOS and the opportunities that it provides.

Ahoy Skippers, sign up for the Skippers' meeting and lunch on February 1. This is an opportunity for Day Sail skippers and Weekend Skippers to get together. The highlight of February will be the Brunch on February 22, when we will hear about the Chesapeake oyster revival. **Kris Smith** has arranged an interesting Saturday seminar on Paints and Adhesives. In addition this month, almost 60 SOS members will be found sailing in the Windward Islands, somewhere between St. Lucia and Grenada. **Sign up for Spring Training.** See the SOS website for all the details.

Special KUDOS this month go to: **Emil Becker** for pulling together an outstanding program for Spring Training. He and his helpers developed 32 topics and recruited the speakers for the program in two weeks, an SOS record. For many years **Suzanne Farr** has prepared the Whisker Pole Scuttlebutt column and kept us up-to-date on members' comings and goings. **Laura Gwinn**, who has chaired the Skippers' Advisory for two years, re-energized the skippers group. Thank you all for your contributions to SOS. Without your efforts SOS would not be the special organization that it is!

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Unofficial notes from January 11, 2015 Board Meeting

Official November minutes will be posted on the SOS web site when approved in February by the Board of Directors.

Commodore: Eric Smaridge has agreed to again have the SOS Membership Directory printed.

Vice Commodore: No report. Presented draft of 2015 Cruising schedule.

Treasurer: 2014 end of year profit is approximately \$8,000. The 2015 budget was presented and adopted.

Bareboat: Registration is still open for Maine cruises. All is in place for the Windwards Cruise.

Brunches: The Feb 22 Brunch topic will be "Restoring the coral reefs in the Chesapeake?" Bill Goldsborough, Sr. Scientist & Fisheries Director of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation will speak.

Cruising: The cruising schedule was revised and adopted pending Social Committee's ability to reschedule a couple of marina parties.

Database: Lifetime Membership has been attained by 18 additional members. One week before membership renewal deadline a list of non-renewed members will be sent to Skippers' Advisory and Membership Chair.

Education: Emil Becker has almost completed securing speakers for Spring Training. Sign up information will appear in the February Whisker Pole and go out to members via email.

First Mates: Rob King and Joan Tannen will have a Seminar at Spring Training about First Mates. Work continues on clarifying purpose of FMs and revising the handbook.

Membership Recruitment: no report

Membership Retention: Have picked up 4 new members since Jan 10 and 1 new skipper. One member who is eligible for Lifetime Membership has not renewed, but will be contacted.

Newsletter: 105 copies of the January 16-page Whisker Pole were mailed to 86 members and 19 Happy Hour coordinators at a printing and postage cost of \$382.13. The cost per issue was \$3.64. Suzanne Farr has resigned as Scuttlebutt Editor and Carol Coltharp is new editor. All of the 2014 electronic newsletter files have been burned to a CD and placed in the climate-controlled shed with other newsletter archives.

Safety: Camp Wabanna has been secured for Flare and Fire Safety Demo on April 11.

Skippers Advisory: Laura Quinn's resignation was accepted. Dennis Krizek was appointed as new chair.

Social: After Parade of Lights Party went well; will consider using caterer next year. Have dates and Event Managers secured for events through May 2015.

Ad Hoc: Printing of 300 cookbooks was approved and will be available for sale at Spring Training.

NEXT SOS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 3rd, 7:00 pm, The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department
Station 5 Meeting Room, 10620 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, MD 20895

Meeting is open to all members.



February 28 Saturday Montgomery County Area Fireside Chat

Location: Bethesda, MD **Cost:** \$15 by deadline \$20 after deadline

Speaker/Topic: **Albert (Skip) Theberge**
"Navigation from Sextant to GPS Technology:
How Sailors Have Calculated Where They Are"

Host: Bruce Beckert and Vicky Wood
Time: 6:00 pm

Deadline: Mail: February 20 (postmark) **Note:** Non-members must be accompanied by a member. No smoking, no walk-ins.
Online: February 24 **Limited to 25.**

Coordinator: Willo Pequegnat lv1509@yahoo.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 7 Saturday CPR and First Aid for Mariners

Location: Anne Arundel Fire Department **Cost:** \$ 32.50 (includes lunch)
620 Taylor Ave.
Annapolis, MD

Instructors: **EMS Team** **Time:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Deadline: Mail: February 23
Online: February 27

Coordinator: Kris Smith kristine0407@gmail.com sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 14 Saturday Spring Training

Location: Anne Arundel Comm College **Cost:** \$55.00 for Members
101 College Parkway \$75.00 for Non-members
Arnold, MD

Deadline: Mail: March 5 (postmark) **Time:** Check in: 8:30 am
Online: March 9 Sessions: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Notes: Continental Breakfast & Lunch included.

Coordinator: TBD or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

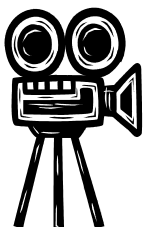


March 14 Saturday After Spring Training Party

Location: Cape St. Clair Clubhouse **Cost:** \$41.00
1213 River Bay Rd, Annapolis,
MD 21409

Deadline: Mail: March 6 (postmark) **Time:** 5:00 pm
Online: March 10

Coordinators: Marge Stembel margestembel@gmail.com Suzanne Vaughn suzyvaughn@aol.com,
Melissa Ennis redmennis@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 15 Sunday Brunch

Location: Sheraton Hotel, Annapolis **Cost:** \$28.00 \$32.00 after deadline

Speaker/Topic: **Photo Retrospective** **Time:** 11:00 am Social hour
12:00 noon Brunch
1:00 pm Program

Deadline: Mail: March 6 (postmark) **Notes:** **General Membership Meeting**
Online: March 10

Coordinator: Carole Jordan seajay281@comcast.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 21 Saturday Sock Burning

Location: Private home, Annapolis, MD **Cost:** \$23 by deadline \$30 after deadline

Directions provided upon registration. **Hosts:** George & Shirley Hollendursky

Deadline: Mail: March 15 (postmark) **Time:** 5 pm – 8 pm

Online: March 18 **Notes:** Non-members must be accompanied by a member. No smoking, no walk-ins. **Limited to 30.**

Coordinators: Barbara Shoemaker barbmshoe@yahoo.com Cindy Turner cynthia.turner@verizon.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



August 16 – 21 Tuesday - Friday Maine Double Header -
Sail on the Schooner *Victory Chimes*

Location: Rockland, Maine **Cost:** \$915 per person

Deadline: March 31

Coordinator: Ann Ashton ashtonann@aol.com



August 22 – 29 Saturday - Saturday Maine Double Header - Bareboat Charter

Location: Rockland, Maine **Cost:** Variable depending upon the size of boat.

Deadline: March 31

Coordinator: Ann Ashton ashtonann@aol.com

February Brunch: "Restoring the *Coral Reefs* of the Chesapeake"

Wait, coral reefs in the Chesapeake? Bill Goldsborough, Senior Scientist and Fisheries Director of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation calls this title a powerful analogy to understand the role the oyster plays in saving the Bay. Bill has been working with the Bay Foundation since 1983 and has been instrumental in the oyster program there.

Join us at the Doubletree Hotel in Annapolis on February 22, 2015 for an interesting and entertaining program....as well as social time with fellow SOSers. Social hour begins at 11:00, with brunch at 12:00.

Photos need for SOS 2014 Retrospective



Calling all photographers!! Bob Wright and Harry Keith have volunteered to gather our favorite SOS pics to compile our Retrospective slide show. But we need your help. Please email (as an attachment) your photos to Bob at robert.wright.bowie@gmail.com. No need to crop or edit photos, Bob will do that if needed.

If you have more than 20 photos, please put them on a CD and mail to Bob. We will present the compilation of our SOS fun shots at the March brunch. This is a wonderful look back at the previous year and get us geared up for the new sailing season!!!



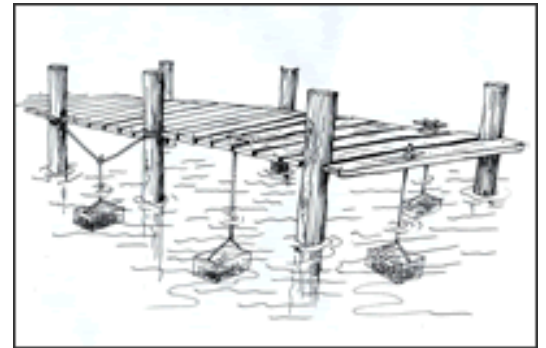
CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION

Saving a National Treasure

Maryland Oyster Gardening Program

What is it?

Oysters are the Chesapeake Bay's best natural filters. They also provide essential habitat for fish and other Bay creatures. Unfortunately, though, today's oyster population is estimated at only two percent of its original level. The Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Oyster Gardening Program gives people the opportunity to help bring back this vital species by growing oysters alongside their docks. Once grown, the adult oysters are returned to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation for planting on sanctuary reefs.



A set of four oyster cages hanging from a dock. Each cage measures 18" long by one foot square.

How is it done?

- 1 To grow oysters, each participant builds a set of oyster cages from wire mesh, which will hang from the dock. The gardener also receives several thousand seed oysters.
- 2 Gardeners grow their oysters in the cages for about a year until the oysters are about one to two inches long.
- 3 The gardener then returns the adult oysters to CBF, and our staff plant the oysters onto sanctuary (non-harvest) reefs in Maryland waters.
- 4 The gardener starts over with a new batch of seed. The hope is that each gardener will continue to produce a new crop of healthy adult oysters year after year.

Want to become an oyster gardener? Looking for more information about CBF's oyster gardening program? Send an e-mail to MDOysterGardening@cbf.org.

SOS Winter Seminar Series One Down...Two to Go.

Thirty-eight people attended the three sessions on January 10. Jim Burton and Mark Pringle provided a dizzying array of product information about the different characteristics of GPS apps and of various chart plotter options. Then, George Hollendursky gave an updated version of his circle rafting how-to's. I know, I know, there was a whole lot more than that, but I need to talk today about the next two seminars.

February 21 is the marine coatings and adhesives seminar. Do you have particular questions you want answered? You are invited to submit questions to Kris Smith in advance of the seminar. She will pass them along to our speaker, George Dunigan. If you have a boat, you'll want to hear what he has to say. It's very expensive to re-paint your topsides or even to put on anti-fouling paint. Do you know when and how to apply a filler? It's important to make the right choices based on the right technical knowledge. Take notes and file them away for the time when you just can't put it off any longer.

March 7 is a chance to get your CPR/AED certification, or to update the one you have. Annapolis Fire Department emergency medical personnel will conduct an all-day CPR/AED and First Aid for Mariners training. The plan is to have one EMS person for every 8 participants. This is an all day seminar for just \$32.50. Your Board of Directors is subsidizing half the cost of the seminar and \$5.00 is added for the cost of lunch. The class is limited to 30 people.

SOS Annual Sock Burning Ceremony- March 21

We sailors eagerly anticipate the start of our sailing season! In celebration of our upcoming time on the water, we **bid the blustery winter season adieu!** In the Chesapeake Bay, especially in the Annapolis area, sailors celebrate the seasonal change with "The Burning of the Socks!" No longer do we need to protect our toes and ankles from the wicked chill of Jack Frost. **Bring those odd socks**, you know the ones that have lost their mates, socks with missing heel or toes, or just those that are on their last legs and **toss them into the fire** in this celebration of the Spring Equinox. We'll celebrate with friends, anticipate future sailing, tell tales of past adventures, and share food and drink.

Register early, as attendance is limited to 30. Bring your favorite sailing story or song, as there will be a prize! Questions? Contact either Barbara



Shoemaker at Barbmshoe@yahoo.com, or Cindy Turner at Cynthia.turner@verizon.net

A Tip from our Galley Gourmet



Shrimp Curry – Serves 4

Ingredients

¼ cup butter melted	¼ cup sherry
¼ cup flour	1½ lbs cooked shrimp
1½ cup milk	1 cup brown rice
½ tsp salt	Condiments: peanuts.
dash paprika	raisins soaked in
2 tsp curry powder	rum/brandy, diced
3 Tbsp catsup	pineapple, lime wedges

At home

1. Cook brown rice. Thaw and shell shrimp. Put in separate zip lock bags and refrigerate.
2. Put salt, paprika, curry powder in a zip lock bag.
3. Put sherry in a small leak proof container.

On board

1. Steam rice to heat up.
2. Make white sauce of butter, flour, milk.
3. Add remaining ingredients.
Serve hot over rice and serve condiments on the side.

I cannot take credit for the Shrimp Curry recipe. A couple of decades ago I sailed with Lynn and Wayne Singley and they made the dish. I have made it for several cruises since and everyone has loved it.

Debra Roane

The Singles on Sailboats Galley Cookbook for the Weekend Sailor \$5.00

The SOS cookbook will be ready for purchase at Spring Training!! Buy one there, or order it when you sign up for Spring Training. It is over 100 pages chock full of simple and delicious recipes that advise you what to prepare at home and what to cook on the boat.

In addition to recipes, it gives advice to new sailors about what to bring, how to pack it all and even locations of places you can just pick it up and go! It will quickly become essential gear for every SOS weekend sailor! And all for only \$5.00!

January Seminars *photos by John Parsons*



Mark Pringle, presents Electronic Navigation Seminar



Jim Burton, presents GPS Seminar



Kris Smith & Robin Meigel



George Hollendursky presents Rafting Seminar



Seminar attendees listen intently as Jim Burton discusses history and advances in GPS.

January Brunch

Photos by John Parsons



Gloria Goldfire, Roger Andes, Nancy Pond



Bob Stevenson, speaker
Annapolis Maritime Museum



Socializing before Brunch begins



Dan Meier, Molly Harrison, Janet Gonski, Karl Scible



George Hollendursky & John Parsons
Photo by Janet Gonski

Garbage in Our Bay?

As boaters, we know that marine debris is more than an eyesore; it also poses threats to marine life, boats and the waterways we enjoy. Most of us are careful to not throw overboard cans, plastic, grocery and trash bags, etc. **But did you know the garbage you throw overboard to “feed the fishes” is illegal and can be equally damaging** as marine life does not usually eat our food. The garbage just decomposes and adds to the over abundance of nitrogen and pollution in the Bay.

The Refuse Act of 1899, a United States federal statute governing use of waterways, prohibits throwing, discharging or depositing any refuse matter of any kind (including trash, garbage, oil and other liquid pollutants) into the water of the United States. The only materials allowed to be discharged are dishwater, gray water and fish parts. So the next time you start to throw overboard that uneaten bread crust, remember **it is illegal and is a pollutant!**

Marine Debris Biodegradable Timeline

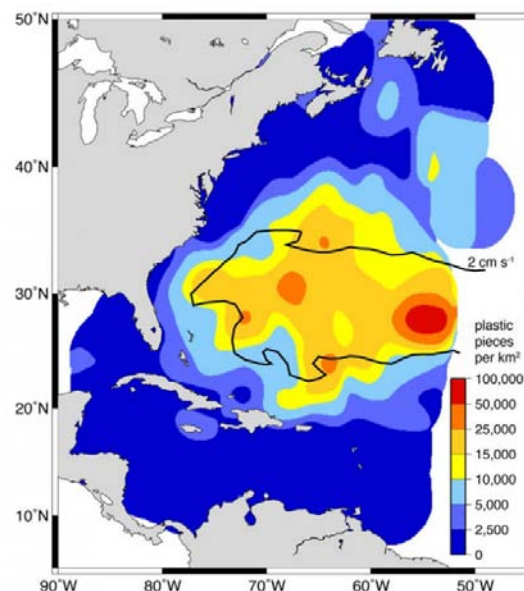
Apple core: 2 months	Nylon fabric: 30-40 years
Orange peel: 6 months	Styrofoam cup: 50 years
Banana peel: 6 months	Plastic bag: 10-20 years
Paper towel: 2-4 weeks	Plastic Glass bottle 1 million years
Cardboard box: 2 weeks	Monofilament fishing line: 600 years
Newspaper: 6 weeks	Plastic beverage bottles: 450 years
Wool sock: 1-5 years	Disposable diapers: 450 years
Painted wooden stick: 13 years	

The above information was taken from the Pocket Guide to Marine Debris from [Ocean Conservancy](#). It's sources were the [U.S. National Park Service](#); [Mote Marine Lab](#), Sarasota, FL and “Garbage In, Garbage Out,” [Audubon magazine](#).

The North Atlantic Garbage Patch

In 1999 the North Pacific Gyre was discovered harboring untold tons of plastic trash the size of Texas, and quickly became known as the "**Great Pacific Garbage Patch**". It was a shocking wake-up call to the world which showed that even the most remote corners of the global were not immune to our throw-away culture. In 2010 the **North Atlantic Garbage Patch** within the North Atlantic Gyre was discovered. The patch covers a region between 22 and 38 degrees north latitude—roughly the distance from Cuba to Virginia, and is estimated to be hundreds of miles across in size.

The above information was taken from www.nationalgeographic.com



SCUTTLEBUTT

By *Carol Coltharp*

Travel and Adventure

Louise Burke and Marty Halvorsen along with 7 friends took a "repositioning Cruise Ship" trip from Savona Italy to Miami Florida by way of the Caribbean traveling 5,558 nautical miles in three weeks.. Many stops for the day with organized trips in the Mediterranean in Marseille France, and Tangier Morocco. Then because of a storm from the African desert closing up the port of Casablanca, we went north to Cadiz Spain. After the storm we headed south to St John Antigua, Tortola with side trips around the Virgin Islands, next anchoring at a private "Costa Co." island by Dominican Republic, then on to Grand Turk Island then through the Bahamas to Miami. The Ship, "Costa Mediterranea", is 1000 foot with room for 3000 guests. We were only 1300 which was wonderful. Four pools with adjoining hot tubs, full spa and exercise rooms with hot tub, aerobics twice a day by the outside pools, great shows every night from 1900 until after 0100 in the morning, 2 large auditoriums for the amazing light shows and entertainment each night and a full gambling room. There was a list of organized trips at each port which also included snorkeling trips which we took. Our friends played tennis in the net enclosed tennis court on the 12th deck. There were four areas with the pools and hot tubs on deck nine. There were many restaurants available, and something to do for everyone all day long. The ship was a highly decorated and expensively done from ceiling to flooring and each area completely different as you wandered through the ship. We all had outside balcony rooms and large rooms and bath. It was great to sit in lounge chairs and have tables out on your own balcony, especially in the evening when docking at the next adventure place. We booked the trip easily through the Costa Fleet office in Texas. The ship was wonderfully staffed and they could not do enough for us. The best part might have been that we only paid half-price because it was a re-positioning trip. I would do it again without even thinking. – Louise

Robyn Day and Art Turriff were desperate to fit in their delayed honeymoon before their first anniversary on October 26th....

He was on a submarine and due to come back on the 18th so they could leave for Greece on the 21st. The sub was 4 days late getting back so she headed to Istanbul without him. He caught up with Oceania's cruise ship, Riviera in Mykonos on the 25th, though it was touch and go with 68 mph winds the night before. Art and Robyn Turriff celebrated the honeymoon and first anniversary in Rhodes, Greece on October 26th. All is well that ends well

Milestones and Celebrations

For **Louise Burke and Marty Halvorsen** there was an invitation to a cocktail party at **Vice President Joe Biden's** home in the Naval Observatory Area, Washington. He also had a professional photographer there to take pictures of each person or persons alongside him and send the picture to them. WHY were we there. Biden graduated from College with Marty and the reunion is coming up this June. He had the reunion committee and some of the College Professors at this cocktail party. He is planning to be part of the June reunion in Delaware.



Vice President
Joe Biden,
Marty Halvorsen
& Louie Burke

Chuck Schwerzler finally retired at the end of 2014 after almost 45 years working in finance and accounting. First thing he plans to do is go to Disney World in March and look at possibly relocating to the Sarasota, Florida area next year. Golf, sailing and travel are also on the agenda for 2015 as well as some R&R at his place in the mountains.

Ron Pence's brother Bob presented another "Christmas Concert for the Troops" in Washington. Well-known stars from all facets of the entertainment industry performed, including a rare public performance by Bob's friend, actor Gary Sinise and his band. In Bob's opening remarks were words to remember that "Our troops are over THERE doing what THEY do... so WE can be here, doing what WE do". He continued on, saying he would like to thank his brother Ronnie for his three years of army service". "That caught me by surprise, and all I could get out was an emotional "you're welcome" that was heard only to those sitting nearby. This, in the full Kennedy Center Opera House. It took him forty-five years to say it. After the show I told him "you're welcome" and we had a good hug. He said to his friends around us, "it's okay- we're brothers".
 Ron Pence

Did You Know?

SAIL Magazine published an article on chartering written by **Ray Harris** on page 73 of the November issue - "Questions You Didn't Think to Ask"

Walter Kastner would like folks to know that he has indeed published the paper "Unified Theory of Matter and Energy", and it could be considered a science paper as it covers most of the basic things in science in a new light that simplifies everything, making it understandable to most persons, whether or not they got a good grade in science in High School or college or even advanced degrees such as in physics. Walter also want them to know it is available for sale at reasonable cost.

Schedule for Saturday, March 14, 2015		
TIME		FUNCTION
Start	End	
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30 AM	8:50 AM	Welcome/Announcements
9:00 AM	10:30AM	Session A
10:30 AM	10:40 AM	Break
10:40 AM	12:10 AM	Session B
12:15 AM	1:15 PM	Lunch
1:20 PM	2:50 PM	Session C
2:50 PM	3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM	4:30 PM	Session D
4:30 PM	5:00 PM	Wrap-up

Directions to Anne Arundel Community College:
 101 College Parkway
 Arnold, MD 21012

From Washington or Annapolis

Take Route 50 east to exit 27, Route 2 north (Governor Ritchie Highway) toward Baltimore. Stay on Route 2 for about three miles. Turn right on College Parkway. The first right turn is the campus entrance.

From Baltimore

From Interstate 695 take exit 2, Route 10 toward Severna Park. Stay on Route 10 until it ends at Route 2 (Governor Ritchie Highway). Follow Route 2 south about five miles. Turn left on College Parkway. The first right turn is the campus entrance.

Snow Emergency Procedure



ATTENTION - If there is snow on Saturday, March 14th (and we certainly hope there isn't!), we MAY have to cancel Spring Training. In the event the weather is questionable, the Education Committee will leave a message on the SOS Spring Training Weather Hotline, **available only on March 14th!** The \$5 non-refundable fee will be retained in the event of cancellation; other fees paid will be refunded.

Snow Emergency Recorded Message: 410-956-1540

Other questions: casuccili@gmail.com



S.O.S. SPRING TRAINING

9:00-10:30	<p>A – 1 New Members</p> <p>INTRODUCTION TO SOS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2</p> <p>SOS member Debra Roane and SOS Skipper Jon Bernheimer introduce you to the roles of Skippers, First Mates and crew, how to register for our events, and volunteer opportunities with the club.</p>	<p>A – 2</p> <p>WEATHER</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>Before a cruise, no matter how short, the mariner should read, then understand, the local forecast. Captain Chuck Wells will highlight the basics of the Earth's weather with a particular focus on sailing and the interpretation of weather reporting.</p>	<p>A – 3 New Members</p> <p>READING A NAUTICAL CHART CORRECTLY</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS Skipper Harry Keith conducts an introduction to charts and a discussion about types of charts, their uses, data and symbols used, and related resources, including web-based sources.</p>	<p>A – 4</p> <p>ANCHORS AND ANCHORING</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS Skipper Ben Kaufman will describe anchors, anchor rode, scope, how to anchor securely and the crews' jobs during the process as well as what affects a boat at anchor and how to "weigh" anchor for another destination.</p>
	10:40-12:10	<p>B – 1 New Members</p> <p>BASIC SAILING FUNDAMENTALS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2</p> <p>SOS Skipper Rick Morefield uses things you already know to explain how a boat sails, with specific emphasis on points of sail and getting a boat from point A to point B.</p>	<p>B – 2 New Skippers</p> <p>RAFTING WITH SOS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS Skipper Dan Meier will lead this discussion on rafting in SOS, both circles and linear. What is the overall plan, what part does the crew play, and (for skippers) how do you direct your crew for a smooth entry into the raft?</p>	<p>B – 3</p> <p>SOS FIRST MATES PROGRAM</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS First Mates Joan Tannen and Rob King will outline the requirements and process to become a First Mate with the club. A great way to test your skills and become more proficient.</p>

12:15 – 1:15 PM – LUNCH

1:20-2:50	<p>C – 1 New Members</p> <p>BASIC BOAT SYSTEMS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS Skipper Emil Becker will describe the various mechanical systems on a modern cruising sailboat, as well as how they work and how to utilize them safely for enjoyable sailing.</p>	<p>C – 2 New Members</p> <p>RULES OF THE ROAD</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2</p> <p>SOS Skipper Dennis Krizek will review the "Nautical Rules of the Road." Topics will include: give-way and stand-on vessels, lights, shapes and sounds, with an emphasis on situations we encounter on the Chesapeake Bay.</p>	<p>C – 3 New Members</p> <p>KNOTS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS Skipper George Hollendursky demonstrates the proper knots to use on a boat and when to use them. Hands-on practice is included while viewing animation of each knot.</p>	<p>C – 4</p> <p>ADVANCED SAIL TRIM AND BALANCE</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3</p> <p>Jeff Jordan, J World Director, describes the various controls on the sails and how to use each to shape your sails for all wind conditions. No more flogging sails; look good going down the Bay.</p>
	3:00-4:30	<p>D – 1 New Members</p> <p>PREP FOR A WEEKEND CRUISE WITH SOS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2</p> <p>Sailing for a weekend requires proper gear (what to bring?) and food (what to prepare?) SOS Skippers Shirley Hollendursky will help you pack that bag and Teeja Meier will give you some time-tested ideas for your portion of the meals.</p>	<p>D - 2</p> <p>GOING UP AND DOWN THE ICW</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3</p> <p>SOS Skipper Jim Mosher will discuss preparations and available resources, and summarize, in pictures and words, highlights and challenges of the trip up and down the ICW.</p>	<p>D – 3 Skippers</p> <p>SPRING COMMISSIONING & MAINTENANCE TIPS</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3</p> <p>Jeff Talarico, service manager for Zimmerman Marine and SOS member, will describe maintenance tasks to prepare your boat for the sailing season. Routine maintenance tasks - what they are, what to do yourself, and what to ask the boat yard to do for you.</p>

4:30 PM WRAP UP IN THE CAFETERIA

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SATURDAY MARCH 14, 2015

<p>A – 5 BEYOND FIRST AID: HANDLING MEDICAL EMERGENCIES AT SEA</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Captain/Doctor Sam Lyness, MD will talk about how to handle medical emergencies offshore when evacuation is difficult and the items to have on board to handle these emergencies.</p>	<p>A – 6 Skippers SAIL CONSTRUCTION, CARE & SELECTION</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Chuck O'Malley of Chesapeake/Doyle Sailmakers Annapolis discusses the sailmaking process from measuring, designing, material-selection, construction alternatives and construction details.</p>	<p>A – 7 OPTIMIZING YOUR SAILING SPEED</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 SOS Skipper Joe Lombardo, an accomplished racer, tells you how to optimize the speed of your boat for racing and fast cruising.</p>	<p>A – 8 Skippers OIL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILLS</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 USCG Petty Officers Fleshman and Fink will present information regarding Oil and Hazardous Material spills that reach a navigable waterway, and how to handle and report them.</p>	<p>A – 9 GPS & APPS FOR SMART PHONES, LAPTOPS, TABLETS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3 SOS Member Jim Burton talks about GPS and Apps for smart phones, laptops, and tablets for navigation and beyond.</p>
<p>B – 5 DIESEL ENGINES</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Karl Allen, Diesel Guru will discuss basic operating theory, anatomy, routine maintenance and troubleshooting for marine diesel engines. Karl may be able to bring his engine model, space permitting.</p>	<p>B – 6 Skippers FUEL AND TANK MANAGEMENT</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 The new "Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel" is a highly refined and modified product that has a relatively short shelf life. deterioration. usable for even a single season. Bob Allen of PetroScrub USA</p>	<p>B – 7 New Members DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3 How do you choose some good foul weather gear? Barbara of Fawcett's will show some of the latest innovations and what features suit you and your sailing.</p>	<p>B – 8 BOAT ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3 Andrew Fegley, owner of Yacht Electrical Systems helps in understanding and maintaining your boat's electrical system.</p>	<p>B – 9 LIGHTS AT NIGHT & OTHER NIGHT SAILING SKILLS</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Matt Benhoff (Cap'n Matt) from Annapolis School of Seamanship, presents an excerpt from their course developed for the Coast Guard "Six-Pack" licensing exam.</p>

12:15 – 1:15 PM – LUNCH

<p>C – 5 Skippers INSURANCE CLAIMS</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Steve Mason, a Maryland marine surveyor who works mostly on insurance claims will discuss the good and the bad of the marine insurance industry. He will be assisted by SOS Member Doug Townsend</p>	<p>C – 6 Skippers WINCH TEARDOWN AND SERVICING</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Pete Sarelas, Director of Maintenance, Naval Academy Sailing Program, demonstrates how to maintain your winches – large and small.</p>	<p>C – 7 HANDLING A SAILBOAT UNDER POWER</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3 SOS Skipper Michael Pittinger discusses how to handle a sailboat under power.</p>	<p>C – 8 RIGGING</p> <p>Levels 2, 3 Jimmie Cockerill of The Rigging Company will discuss the creation and maintenance of all aspects of yacht rigging to ensure a seaworthy and enjoyable boat.</p>	<p>C – 9 PREPARING FOR EXTENDED CRUISING</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 How to plan for sailing to the far-off lands -- and much more with veteran cruiser and SOS Skipper Ursula Skagen.</p>
<p>D – 5 New Members VHF RADIO AND BEYOND</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2 SOS Member Barry LaZar instructs you in the proper use of VHF radio and handling emergency procedures using a handheld and ship's VHF radio.</p>	<p>D – 6 Skippers MARITIME LAW</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 JoAnne Zawitoski of Semmes, Bowen & Semmes discusses tort issues (liability for personal injuries, violation of navigation rules, collisions and acts of God). A must for all skippers.</p>	<p>D – 7 Skippers DINGHIES? WHICH IS RIGHT FOR YOU?</p> <p>Levels: 2, 3 Jesse Tucker, Fawcett Boat Supplies Sales & Service will discuss your questions about buying the right dinghy, how to repair and store them.</p>	<p>D – 8 MEDICAL EMERGENCIES ON THE BAY</p> <p>Levels: 1, 2, 3 June Ejk, one of our favorite speakers and SOS Member, brings her medical knowledge to us on how to cope with any unfortunate medical emergencies that we may encounter while sailing.</p>	<p>D – 9 SOS BAREBOAT CHARTERING</p> <p>Level 1, 2, 3 SOS Skipper Sandy Rosswork, Bareboat Chair for SOS, introduces us to future possible trips, as well as memories of some favorites. She will explain how we go about organizing a trip and how you can get involved!</p>

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2015 SPRING TRAINING Registration, Schedule and Directions

Saturday, March 14, 2015

Deadline: March 8th for online registration; March 4th postmark for mail-in paper registration

Registration Instructions

Spring Training is both a fun and educational event that includes many new members who are unfamiliar with the "routine." We ask that all registrants read the instructions below before calling with questions.

Cost: \$55.00 Member, \$75.00 Nonmember and all after deadline (see below). Included in the cost is a \$5.00 non-refundable fee in the event that Spring Training is cancelled for any reason, including weather. See snow emergency instructions on page 13.

Please note that classes are filled on a first-come first-served basis, so don't delay registering! **Online registrations cannot be modified, so register carefully.** Registration for specific classes is limited. SOS reserves the right to adjust the class schedule to meet demand for key classes. Upon arrival, check in at the registration desk and pick up your class materials. Please be prompt and courteous; speakers are volunteers as are all the administrative staff.

Anne Arundel Community College is a non-smoking and alcohol-free campus, including the parking lot. Please do not smoke or consume alcoholic beverages *anywhere*. A continental breakfast, a buffet lunch and an afternoon snack are included in the cost of registration. Please note, however, that no food or drink is allowed outside the cafeteria.

To register online:

- **We encourage online registration.** Go to the website, www.singlesonsailboats.org, and you will find a section for Spring Training. You will see something similar to the paper registration form, also published in the *Whisker Pole*. Please note that you can only use a credit card online; we cannot process checks online. If you do not wish to use a credit card, you can register by mail with a check. See below.
- Cost: \$55.00 Member, \$75.00 Nonmember and all after the **March 8th deadline.**
- Choose the courses you would like to attend by clicking on the drop-down menu. **If a course you select is "full," it will not appear on the menu.** This is one of the advantages of registering online. You will know your schedule when you register. Please note, however, that last-minute changes are possible due to circumstances beyond our control, so be sure to check-in at registration for your materials.
- Cancellations must be received via phone or e-mail no later than **March 8th.**

To register by mail:

- If you wish to register by mail, fill in the registration form included in this issue of the *Whisker Pole*. Mail the completed form together with your check to: SOS Spring Training, PO Box 5708, Annapolis, MD 21403.
- Cost: \$55.00 Member, \$75.00 Nonmember and all after the **March 4th deadline.**
- Fill out all information requested on the form. Please print legibly because your information will be entered into the Spring Training database.
- There are four 90-minute class periods, A-D. Indicate your first, second, and third choices by entering that course number. **DO NOT** write in the course name but use only the course number. Use a zero if you do not have a second or third choice, or if you do not wish to attend anything during that session. Entering a zero will not assure you your first choice, however, because classes are assigned in the order of registration.

Example: First Choice Second Choice Third Choice

A:	1	A:	2	A:	0
B:	3	B:	2	B:	1
C:	7	C:	2	C:	3
D:	0	D:	0	D:	0

- Cancellations must be received by phone or email no later than **March 7th.** Checks will be torn up unless you send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your registration.

2015 Spring Training Registration Form

Use this form only if you are registering by mail. Online registration is encouraged.

Today's date: _____ Check # _____

(Please Print)

Name: _____

State: _____ Email Address: _____

Home/Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone _____

Circle All Appropriate SOS Status categories:

Circle Appropriate Skill Level:

SOS Member

New SOS Member (less than 12 months)

Not an SOS member (nonmember)

Skipper SOS First Mate Crew

Spring Training Volunteer

Speaker

1. Novice (New to Sailing)

2. Intermediate (inshore sailor to aspiring First Mate)

3. Advanced (First Mate, Offshore sailor)

4. Skipper

Indicate your course preference by the course **number**; use zero if you don't have a preference.

Example: Under First Choice A: **1** B: **2** C: **7** D: **3**

First Choice

Second Choice

Third Choice

Class Period A:	_____	A:	_____	A:	_____
Class Period B:	_____	B:	_____	B:	_____
Class Period C:	_____	C:	_____	C:	_____
Class Period D:	_____	D:	_____	D:	_____

Cost:

\$55.00

Member

\$75.00

Nonmember and all after deadline

Please tell us how your first learned about SOS Spring Training? _____

Online registration is available at www.singlesonsailboats.org

If you are not registering on line, send this completed paper form *and* a CHECK payable to SOS, Inc. to:

SOS Spring Training
 P O Box 5708
 Annapolis, MD 21403

Mail registration DEADLINE: postmark dated Wednesday, March 4, 2015

The 2015 Cruising Season

The 2015 sailing season is upon us...
and do we have a season lined up
for you!

We have 16 weekend cruises,
including some 3-day
cruises; 10 weekends with day
sails; and 13 midweek day sails.
And for those who can't seem to
make Wednesdays, we mixed in
some Tuesday and Thursday day
sails! We even have a weekend with
both a cruise and a day sail.

We have an extended cruise on the schedule as
well. It kicks off with the Memorial Day sail to the
Choptank River and ends with the Luau Cruise to
Dunn Cove. The specific week day locations

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are still being worked out, but they will be
southern destinations. We tried to keep
the hot summer weekends with
shorter destinations, and one
weekend cruise in August.

Note that we worked to squeeze in
day sails on weekends where
cruises might cause scheduling
challenges. We have day sails
paired with dockside training, the Town
Hall Meeting, Hospice Cup Race, and
other events where we can still sail, but not
get in a full weekend.

Mark your calendars, make your plans, and we'll
see you on the water!

New Member Dockside Training April 11, 10a.m. – all day

Dockside Training provides an opportunity for new members to have an introduction or refresher on sailing with SOS. You will meet aboard various members' boats at 10 a.m. for an all-day session structured to simulate an SOS cruise, but not leave the dock. Skippers and First Mates will conduct standard pre-cruise and safety briefings and provide hands-on training. Dockside Training is designed to answer such questions as: What tasks does the crew perform on a boat? How do I tie a clove hitch or stopper knot? What am I expected to do when leaving the dock and more.

It is possible to complete most of the Level I checkout requirements during the day. The Basic Skills Manual (dated February 2014) and checkout forms can be found on the SOS website, www.singlesonsailboats.org, under the Education section of Forms and Such. Note: **The Basic Skills Manual was revised for 2014. The current Basic Skills Program Manual is dated February 2014. Please make sure you are working with the current manual.** Please read the Basic Skills

Manual Level I section prior to Dockside Training and bring the Basic Skills checkout forms with you.

Please register online using the Event Calendar at www.singlesonsailboats.org. You will be notified **by email** regarding your boat/skipper assignment. Just pack your water bottle, picnic lunch, and Basic Skills form. Then head to your assigned SOS boat generously offered by an SOS skipper for a day of fun, camaraderie and learning.

And at the end of the day, we'll all meet at a fun place in Annapolis for refreshments and sharing the day's experiences with new friends!



2015 Cruising Schedule

April	2015		
11	Saturday	Dockside Training	Various Skippers Boats
12	Sunday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
18 - 19	Sat/Sun	IRS Cruise	Pirates Cove (West River)
25 - 26	Sat/Sun	Shakedown Cruise	Reed Creek (Corsica)
25 & 26	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
May	2015		
2 - 3	Sat/Sun	Kentucky Derby Cruise	Eagle Cove (Magothy R)
9 & 10	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
13	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
16	Saturday	DNR Party	Event Managers: Bob Lucas, Cindy, Barbara & Melissa
16 - 17	Sat/Sun	DNR Cruise	Wye River
19	Tuesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
23 - 24 - 25	Sat/Sun/Mon	Memorial Day Cruise	Lecompte Bay or LaTrappe Creek. Sunday – Skipper's Choice
23 - 31	Sat - Sun	Extended Cruise Option	Memorial Day Cruise, Southern Destinations, Luau Cruise
28	Thursday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
30 - 31	Sat/Sun	Luau Cruise	Dunn Cove
June	2015		
6 & 7	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
10	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
13	Saturday	Anniversary Party	Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall
13 - 14	Sat/Sun	Anniversary Cruise	Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall
17	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
20 - 21	Sat/Sun	First Mates Cruise - Invitation Only	Round Bay - Invitation only
23	Tuesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
25	Thursday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
27 & 28	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
July	2015		
3 - 4 - 5	Fri/Sat/Sun	Happy 4 th Everything Red, White, & Blue Cruise	Shaw Bay, Skippers' Choice
8	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
11 & 12	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
18 - 19	Sat/Sun	Christmas in July Cruise	Rhode River
25	Saturday	Dockside Training II	
26	Sunday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
29	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
August	2015		
1	Saturday	Seafood Feast	Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall
2	Sat/Sun	Seafood Feast Cruise	Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall
6	Thursday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
8 & 9	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice Note: Pirates 'n' Wenches at Rock Hall
15	Saturday	Town Hall Meeting	Galesville Meeting House
16	Sunday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
16-21		Maine Bareboat Trip - Schooner	
22-29		Maine Bareboat Trip - Bareboat	
22 - 23	Sat/Sun	Come As You Are	Whitehall Creek or Bay
29 - 30	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
September	2015		
5 - 6 - 7	Sat/Sun/Mon	Labor Day Cruise	Sassafras or Leadenham, Skipper's Choice
12 - 13	Sat/Sun	Appetizers and Desserts Cruise	Langford Creek (Chester R)
19	Saturday	Hospice Cup Race – Register SOS Boat	Contribute Donations to a Participating Boat
20	Sunday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
23	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
26 - 27	Sat/Sun	Fall Kick-off Cruise	Aberdeen Creek (South R)
October	2015		
3 - 4	Sat/Sun	Chili Cook-off Cruise	Drum Point (Wye River)
7	Wednesday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
10 - 11 - 12	Sat/Sun/Mon	Columbus Day Cruise	Rock Creek (Patapsco), Skipper's Choice
15	Thursday	Day Sail	Skipper's Choice
17 & 18	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
24 - 25	Sat/Sun	Goose Cruise	Corsica, Chester River
31 – 1	Sat/Sun	Day Sails	Skipper's Choice
November	2015		
7 - 8	Sat/Sun	Blue Lips Cruise	Maryland Yacht Club (N) or Pirates' Cove (S)

ANNAPOLIS MARITIME MUSEUM WINTER LECTURE SERIES

We all enjoyed the January Brunch speaker from Annapolis Maritime Museum. The Museum has other winter lectures you may enjoy.

Just \$10. For details click here:

<http://amaritime.org/events/special-events>

January 15 | 7 p.m. Bridging the Chesapeake:
A 'Fool Idea' That United Maryland

January 22 | 7 p.m. Mega-ships are Coming:
Challenges and Growth Strategies for the Port of Baltimore

January 29 | 7 p.m. From Obscurity to National Prominence: How John Paul Jones Got to Annapolis

February 5 | 7 p.m. Landing Ship Tanks at D-Day: Construction on the Ohio, Training on the Chesapeake and Victory at Normandy

February 12 | 7 p.m. The Modern Chesapeake Waterman: Sustaining a Way of Life from Resources of the Bay

February 19 | 7 p.m. Flowers to Honey:
Just How Cool is the Honey Bee?

February 26 | 7 p.m. The Living, Breathing Ocean: Perspectives from NASA's Color Satellites

March 5 | 7 p.m. Launching Barren Island Oysters: New York Photographer to Oyster Aquaculturist

DIRECTIONS, DIRECTIONS DIRECTIONS

The Doubletree Hotel: 210 Holiday Court, Annapolis, MD, 21401; Route 50 to Exit 22 Riva Rd. Follow signs to Riva Rd. and make a left at light onto Riva Rd. Second left onto Holiday Court.

Southern District Police Station: 35

Stepneys Lane, Edgewater, From Rt. 50: Exit 22 to Aris T Allen Blvd to Rt. 2 South [Solomon's Island Rd]. Proceed approximately 2.5 miles to third light after crossing South River. Turn left onto Mayo Rd. Proceed to second light, approximately 3/4 mile. Turn right onto Stepney's Lane. Look for Anne Arundel County Southern District sign on right.

Note change of date: February 3, 7:00pm

The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department Station 5, Lower Meeting Room, 10620

Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, MD. Rt 50W to 495N (Capital Beltway). Exit #33 onto MD-185N (Connecticut Avenue) for 2.2 mi. Make U-turn at MD-193 onto MD-185S. Go 1/10 mile. Fire station on right. Park in rear of firehouse and enter the rear door located below the steps.

Former
SOS
Commodore
Ron Habegger
passed away
June 2, 2014.



Ron served SOS as Commodore 1994-1995, several years as a skipper, and as chair of various committees. Ron was also an avid sailor and biker and a great reader of books. He would sail out of Annapolis and once made a passage from the Caribbean to Nova Scotia.

He was avid traveler of the world, visiting many countries, China twice and many places in Europe.

To read more about Ron's adventuresome life, go to:

<http://www.cunninghamfuneralhome.net/obituary/Ronald-Louis-Habegger/Falls-chruch-VA/1390241#sthash.Xe8WQJup.dpuf>



Sailors and non-sailors interested in sailing are invited to attend our SOS Happy Hours. We welcome new or potential SOS members. We meet at local restaurant in the bar area.

Check below or SOS website for locations.

Happy Hours are not official SOS functions.
The Happy Hours are in chronological order.

SE Pennsylvania: Our first of two Happy Hours - 6 pm.
1st Tuesday – February 3rd - McKenzie Brew House–
 324 W Swedesford Road, Berwyn, (610) 407 4300. This is South of Trader Joe's (Gateway Shopping Ctr). off Rt. 202. Meet a great group of social people who like great food!
Contact: PATTI - pattievans@aol.com

NVA/DC: Our first of two NVA/DC Happy Hours - 5 pm.
1st Wednesday – February 4th - Mylos Grill, (in the bar area) mylosgrill.com Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA in the McLean/ Chesterbrook shopping center. Free parking, great food!
Contact: CHARLOTTE: coconor@aol.com

Ellicott City, MD: 1st Thursday - February 5th - 5:30-7:30 pm - Bare Bones Grill & Brewery barebonesgrill.com
 9150-22 Baltimore Natl. Pike, 410-461-0770
 Corner of St. Johns Lane & Rte 40, Ellicott City, MD 21042
Contact: JILL- jill.montgom@gmail.com

South-Central PA: 1st Thursday- February 5th-6:30-9 pm.
Heritage Hills Golf Resort, 2700 Mt. Rose Ave. PA-124, York, Pa. on the lower level of Knickers Pub.
Contact : BOB - sosrjmorrow@aol.com

North Baltimore: 2nd Thursday – February 12th- 5 pm.
Michael's Cafe Restaurant & Lounge (in the bar area)
 2119 York Road, Timonium (opp Fairgrounds) MD 21220. 410-252-2022, michaelscafe.com. Free parking, great food, drinks and Happy Hour prices. Food service until 11 pm. Cozy atmosphere, friendly staff.
Contact: Barb O'Brien -barlo@comcast.net

Wilmington, DE: 3rd Wednesday - February 18th- 5:30 pm.
Timothy's Restaurant and Bar, Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront.
 930 Justison Street, (19801) 302-429-RIBS (7427). timothysontheriverfront.com Drink specials 'til 7pm
Contact: GERI - grwalker12@verizon.net

Rockville, MD: 3rd Thursday - February 19th - 5-7pm.
NOTE: We're back at the Marriott Hotel, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda. (near the White Flint Metro station). Meet in bar area or outside patio if weather permits.
Contact - Jim Randall - jrrand1@gmail.com

SE Pennsylvania: 3rd Thursday - February 19th 6-10 pm-
333 BELROSE Bar & Grill, Our second Happy Hour -333 Belrose Lane, Radnor. 610 293-1000. Meet a great group of social people who like sailing & great food!
Contact: PATTI - pattievans@aol.com

NVA/DC: - 3rd Friday – February 20th -meet at 5 pm at the bar. **Sur la Place.** Our second Happy Hour- 5105 MacArthur Blvd. (Site of the old L'Appetito) Wash. DC. surlaplaceindc.com
Contact: CHARLOTTE: coconor@aol.com

Annapolis, MD: 4th Thursday - February 24th - 5-7 pm, location at Coconut Joe's, 48 South River Road, Edgewater, MD. 443-837-6057 cocojoes@comcast.net
 Go south on Rte 2 (Solomons Island Rd) and go over the South River Bridge in the left lane. There is a left-turn lane just after the bridge. Keep left to come back to the waterside location. From the road a sign on the building says "Hawaiian Bar and Grill", but the sign in the parking lot says CJ's. Come in the front door, hook left to the SOS area. Order at the bar, or there is waitress service. \$1 off drinks and a few \$5 appetizers from 4 to
Contact: 301-717-2770 reponce@msn.com

UPDATE changes to Happy Hour info to:
sailhither@hotmail.com before the 12th of the month.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Cheryl	Davidow	Columbia	MD
Sharon			
Marie	Delaney	Chadds Ford	PA
Paul	Gwiazdowski	Chesterfield	NJ
Susan	Hoffmann	Rockville	MD
Tarun	Johns	Greenville	ME
Carol	Martz	Falls Church	VA
Deborah	Proctor	Annapolis	MD
Allyson	Redpath	Baltimore	MD
John	Reichnach	Baltimore	MD
Mark	Vogel	Rockville	MD
Deborah	Whitten	Laurel	MD



CLASSIFIEDS: Please E-MAIL YOUR AD
 ▶ sailhither@hotmail.com ◀ Ed Petersohn.
SUBJECT: WP CLASSIFIED AD.

Please **SEND A CANCELLATION** when your ad has been fulfilled. Dormant ads— those that have appeared for three months with no word from their “owners”—will be dropped unless you specifically ask that they continue to run. If you would like to reinstate an ad please e-mail Ed. **DEADLINE is the 15th**

BOATS --

“**Horizon Too**” **46’ MORGAN KETCH.** Call for details – Capt. Mary Ann Albright 410–871-2828 or 596-4768. 1-15

1986 C&C 35 MKIII FOR SALE: Ready to cruise the Bay or Beyond? So is this boat! Well equipped and maintained C&C 35 MKIII for sale. Many upgrades. LOA: 34’ 8”, Beam 11’ 2”, Draft 4’ 2”/6’4” (keel/centerboard). Mast height over waterline 50’ 5”. For full details, call Ron at 703-472 3755 or email ronkaye343@gmail.com 1-15

JEANNEAU 39i’, 09, “SPRAY”, in great condition. Sails fast with a comfortable cockpit, twin helms, Yanmar engine— low hours, high performance Solid Glass Reinforced Plastic (GRP) Hull. Price just reduced again by \$10,000 to sell, due to family member illness. Currently docked in St. Lucia. Photos and details at: <http://www.mooringsbrokerage.com/used-boats/boat-details.php?BoatID=4191100> Contact Mary McClellan, SOS: 703-216-5721 or mcclellan.maryk@gmail.com

BOAT SLIPS --

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