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Cruising Corner Sailing Season Finally Here

It's finally here! Sailing Season!!! Warm breezes!! SOS raft-ups!! Parties!! We've got it all for you. Remember: Sign up early, sign up often!!!!!!

May 6-7- Seis de Mayo Weekend Cruise, with a TNT theme (tacos, nachos, tequila). We are going to the Rhode River.....you should already be on-board for this one.

May 10th and 24th – Mid-week sails. This is a great way to enjoy the bay without the weekend crowds of boats.

May 13 – Weekend Day Sail. Saturday or Sunday, weather dependent.



Skipper **Nancy Parsons** points out toward the Bay where sailing adventures await us.

May 20-21 – DNR cruise and party on fabulous Granary Creek off of the Wye River. This is one of the best parties and sails of the year. Remote, quiet anchorage with a picturesque setting....until we get there. Then it's party time.

May 26-29 - We close the month with our first mini-extended of the year. This will be a four-day cruise to Solomon's Island and back. The first night, we will raft in Hudson Creek off of the Little Choptank River. Saturday night, we will be in the Zahnisers' marina, with a pool, restaurant and showers!! Sunday night's raft will be a skippers' choice, depending on your final destination.

June 3-4 will take us to the Limerick Cruise in Gray's Inn Creek off of the Chester River. Have your boat come up with the winning limerick!

June has many more exciting events. Log into the website and check out the Fleet Exercises. A simple click will get you out on the Bay with SOS. We want to see you on the water.

Meeps and Carole

Cruising Co-chairs

May 20-21 DNR Cruise & Summer of Love Party

Pam Ledford, Social Chair

Our adventurous sail coming up for the Department of Resources (DNR) is over the May 20-21 weekend.

Sometimes, a skipper may want to set sail on a Friday landing at the DNR early evening. They can bring their dinghy ashore to hike in the wooded grounds, help out with the working members, or just chill. A decision is made by the skipper if they wish to leave a day early for this cruise. Crew interested in this Friday option should indicate your available when you register.

ALSO, a dorm setting is available for those who drive-in as indicated on the Fleet Exercises for the DNR event. The bunk arrangements may be available for both Friday and Saturday nights. This is available at \$25 per night and you bring your own linens. Specifically this is camping style, shared bathrooms. It is also a first to pay, check received basis to reserve a bed. Please email your request to: ledford.pamela@yahoo.com and state in the Subject line Bunk.

Bring an appetizer to share. Food sharing and information will be emailed. Volunteers are always needed too. See ya there!

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



We're
Cruisin'!
Did you
throw an
anchor in
April? Are
you signed
up to hoist a

halyard in May? Mid-May brings one of our favorite shore parties: DNR Cruise to Granary Creek. People talk about it for months!

And speaking of talking about cruises - are you sharing your feedback via the Survey Monkey you receive after each cruise? Committee Chairs receive the portions of the survey that pertain to their committee: so tell Social the food was great; tell Safety the skipper helped you feel confident; let First Mates Chair know the Basic Skills a first mate helped you learn; or tell us something you think needs to be different/ better/safer. Each portion of the survey is de-constructed so the appropriate committee receives a report combining all the pertinent comments you write. And therein lies a potential problem. Everything you send is anonymous and not linked to your name, profile or email - we want your honest feedback. So if you comment, "I want to tell someone about..." please add your name in the optional box. We want to get back to you on it.

Since the skipper/first mate names are optional, please include them when you write about something you wish they did/didn't do/had realized. Without that critical piece, committee chairs/ Board members/ Commodore have no way to follow up on your thoughts.

So use the tool of the Survey Monkey → A. (Sharing your ideas) + B. (Knowing your voice is heard) = C. (making SOS the best it can be)!

And as you cruise more and more with SOS, you will sign up earlier and more often... then potentially forget, "Did I already sign up for that one?" There is a way to check that out - when you look at your profile (log in, click on left hand tab near bottom "Profile"), then hover at the top of the "My Profile" tab and one drop-won choice is "View Transactions." Here lies everything you signed up for – for years! I found one summer I hit all my favorite cruises, and another where I sailed very little (2) - this summer I already signed up for the June Anniversary Cruise. Have you? Come on! Join old friends and new, enjoy the beauty of our Chesapeake Bay, participate in a committee, learn the ropes – use the tools we have to make SOS the club for YOU!

Janet

Welcome New Members

Karla Addess Springfield, MD Gary Bauer Franklinville, NJ Zoe Ann Brown Alexandria, VA Jeffrey Buck Annapolis, MD Peter Choma Wayne, PA Deborah Donnelly Annapolis, MD Mary Ellen Murphy Silver Spring, MD John Reichnach Baltimore, MD Jim Wray McLean, VA

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Unofficial notes April 6, 2016 Board Meeting

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

Commodore: Review of Action Log.

Vice Commodore: Presented Galesville Town Hall contract fr approval. Discussed locker contents.

Treasurer: Form 990 and MD Personal Property Form were presented for review. Deposit, Expense Reimbursement, and Refund Forms have been revised. P&L statement for March was presented and discussed.

Bareboat: Doug Gage will coordinate a trip to BVIs in Winter 2018. John McDonald and Michael Sommers will coordinate a trip in Fall 2018 in North or South America. Proposal will be submitted in early summer.

Brunches: No report.

Cruising: Cruising Schedule is available on the Event Calendar and on the website. The Cruise Coordinator's Manual has been updated. Revisions have been made to the online registration form Lynn Gilley will be Coordinator and Kathy Haven will send out blasts this season.

Database: Rita Svec is now listed as second ASA on Memberclicks.
Cruising Events through June have been activated for registration with the exception of the Anniversary Party.
Carpool lists were sent out for the After Spring Training Party and response has been positive.

Education: No report.

First Mates: Kitty St. Romain had successful FM session at Spring Training. John Parsons will be First Mate Candidate Coordinator. First Mate Meeting/ Party on May 13th. First Mate Sail will be July 15/16.

Membership: Four volunteers called members who had not renewed. The majority who responded stated they did not renew because of inability to be placed on a boat to sail. The Committee plans to revitalize New Member Chats, now called "What's the Scoop".

Newsletter: The April 20-page Whisker Pole mailed to 275 members and 20 Happy Hour coordinators were printed at a cost of \$907.32 which was \$3.12 per copy. Jody Hutchinson has stepped forward as Scuttlebutt Editor and Pat Randall has volunteered to become the Classified Ads Editor.

Public Relations: No report

Safety: Flare Safety and Dockside Training details all in place.

Skippers' Advisory: No Report.

Social: Planning for all summer events is well underway. Awards Banquet will be December 2, location TBD.

NEXT SOS BOD MEETING

May 4^{th,} 7:00 pm, Meeting is open to all members

SUMMER FUN CRAB AND CRABCAKE FEST! August 5-6

SAVE THE DATE!

Sundresses, big sun hats, parasols, decorated sunglasses (by your friendly Social Committee) at the lovely Sailing

the lovely Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall, Maryland.

Enjoy a sail, then a swim, then Happy Hour, then CRABS, CRABCAKES & SHRIMP AND Other delightful morsels while you enjoy your fellow SOS members socializing in a charming, picturesque setting.

Cruise & Party \$74 Party only \$40



POLYNESIAN LUAU Anniversary Party June 17 & 18 Lankford Bay Marina



The destination for our 39th Anniversary is beautiful Lankford Bay Marina, a new location for chillin' out! Come sail in and bring your bathing suit for the pool, an appetite, and your dancing feet.

It's summery sarongs, grass skirts, flip flops, flowers around your neck and around your hair. The Island flair will include a smorgasbord of tropical fruit and tempting appetizers to start with. Swim and chill from 4 pm, yummy appetizers and bar opens at 5:00 pm, then a scrumptious meal followed by dancing through the night.

The Anniversary Party is one of our most popular cruises. Please come join your fellow mates and watch the setting of the sun. An enchanted evening with Island dancing awaits you after a lovely sail!

Lankford Bay Marina is nestled at the mouth of Davis Creek overlooking Cacaway Island on the Chester River, an easy drive (like Rock Hall from Annapolis). If you are attending the party only, there is an array of small hotels nearby in Rock Hall area.

New Members: Come join your Social Committee and get to know your Club faster. Your presence as a volunteer for a fun job: decorators, registrations, servers, bartenders, and clean ups is part of the fun!

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.

Non-members must submit a Sailing Registration Form.

May 4 Thursday Board Meeting

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

Greenbrier Community Building
7600 Hanover Parkway
Notes:
Doors open 6:45pm
Open to all Members

Greenbelt, MD 20770

May 6/7 Saturday - Sunday Seis de Mayo Weekend Cruise (TNT)

(Tacos Nachos & Tequila)

SEIS DE MAYO Destination: Rhode River Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member

Deadline: Mail: April 21 (postmark) Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must

Online: April 25 mail a separate Registration form with a check to the

Coordinator: Marian Scheinholtz scheinholtz.marian@comcast.net

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

May 7 Sunday What's the Scoop

Destination: Chestertown, MD **Cost:** \$17 – Member

Time: 11:30-3:30 Member's Non-member Guest -Free

Deadline: Mail: May 2nd (postmark)

Note: This event is for New Members, as well as, member's

Online: May 3rd

(limit 20-25)

friends (non-member) These events will be open forums for questions from New Members and Member GUEST

Coordinator: Lora Donia, doniala@aol.com,

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

May 10 Wednesday Mid Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice **Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must Note:

Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the

be received by May 3 mail a separate regist coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove barbaras_mail@yahoo.com

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

May 13 Saturday Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice **Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline: Mail: May 3 (postmark) Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must

Online: May 9 (9 pm) mail a separate registration form with a check to the

coordinator.

Coordinator: Nancy Bromberg nbromberg78@verizon.net

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



THE

CUP

REGATTA

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

May 13 Saturday First Mate Meeting/Potluck

Location: Molly & Ned's Home Cost: Free to invited members,

> Annapolis, MD \$10 for guests (collected at the door)

Deadline: Note: By Invitation Only Register by May 8

Start at 5:30pm. Bring a dish to share

Coordinator: Meeps Yox mpsyx@earthlink.net

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

LEUKEMIA

May 19 Friday **Leukemia Cup Fundraising Potluck Party**

Donations to **Leukemia Cup** welcome

Location: Hollendursky's Home Annapolis, MD

Deadline: Note: Mail: May 15 (postmark) Bring a dish to share and BYOB

> Online: May 17 (9 pm)

Coordinator: Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com

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

May 20/21 Saturday - Sunday

DNR Weekend Cruise/Party (Summer of Love/in the 60s)

Cost:

Destination: Wye East River/Granary Creek Cost: \$74 - Cruise & Party

\$40 Party only

\$50 Party after Deadline & Walk-ins Deadline: Note: Raft in pods & dinghy ashore.

Mail: May 5 (postmark) Online: May 9 Party Only May 16

Limited number of bunks available for overnight lodging - \$25 per night. Contact Pam Ledford, ledford.pamela@yahoo.com

for inquiries and to reserve a bunk

Event Manager: Pam Ledford ledford.pamela@yahoo.com

Coordinator: Linda Casucci casuccili@amail.com

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



May 24 Wednesday Mid Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member

Mail and Online registrations must Note: Deadline: Non-member may sail once with a member and must

be received by May 17

mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove barbaras mail@yahoo.com

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

May 26-29 Friday - Monday 4 Day Memorial Day Cruise

Destination: Friday: Hudson Ck, off Little Cost: \$68 - Member or Non-member

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Saturday: Zahniser's, Solomon's Sunday: Skipper's Choice.

Deadline: Non-member may sail once with a member and must Mail: May 11 (postmark) Note:

mail a separate Registration form with a check to the Online: May 15

coordinator.

Coordinator: Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky shirleybrooks@yahoo.com

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

More Details on Page 9 of Newsletter



June 1

ocation:

Thursday

Board Meeting

Time:

Commons Room

Greenbrier Community Building

7600 Hanover Parkway Greenbelt, MD 20770

Doors open 6:45pm

7:00 to 10:00pm

Notes: Open to all Members

June 3/4

Saturday - Sunday

Limerick Cruise (Down & Dirty)

Destination: Chester River/Gray's Inn Creek Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member

Non-member may sail once with a member and must Deadline: Mail: May 19 (postmark) Note: mail a separate Registration form with a check to the

coordinator.

Coordinator: Cherie Comly mectwist@aol.com

Online: May 23

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

Leukemia Cup Regatta June 3 Saturday

Destination: 10:00 Regatta at mouth of Severn Note: Regatta Registration Information: River http://www.leukemiacup.org/md/

> See more information in this newsletter on 4:00pm Shore Party at EYC

> > page 9.

Coordinator: Hosted by The Annapolis Yacht Club and The Eastport Yacht Club

June 7 Wednesday Mid Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the

be received by May 31 coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove barbaras mail@yahoo.com

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

June 10 Saturday **Day Sail**

Destination: Skipper's Choice Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member

Non-member may sail once with a member and must Deadline: Note: Mail: June 1 (postmark)

mail a separate registration form with a check to the Online: June 6 (9 pm)

coordinator.

Coordinator: Teresa Scofield tscofield55@gmail.com

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

June 10 Saturday What's the Scoop

Destination: Annapolis, MD Cost: \$17 – Member

Time: 6:00-10:00 Member's Non-member Guest - Free Deadline:

Mail: June 6th (postmark) Online: June 7th Note: This event is for New Members, as well as,

member's friends (non-member) These (limit 20-25) events will be open forums for questions from New Members and Member GUEST

Coordinator: Kitty St. Romain, k.st.romain@comcast.net,

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

June 10 Sunday What's the Scoop II

Destination: Rockville, MD **Cost:** \$17 – Member

Time 12:00 – 4:00 Member's Non-member Guest -Free

Deadline: Mail: June 6th (postmark) **Note:** This event is for New Members, as well as,

Online: June 7th member's friends (non-member) These (limit 20-25) events will be open forums for questions from New Members and Member GUEST!

Coordinator: Linda Casucci, <u>casucciLJ@gmail.com</u>,

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

June 17/18 Saturday - Sunday 39th Anniversary Weekend Cruise (Polynesian Luau)

Destination: Lankford Bay Marina, **Cost:** \$74 - Cruise & Party

Chester River \$40 - Party only

Deadline: Substituting States and Walk-ins States S

Cruise & Party: Online: June 6

coordinator.

Party only: Mail: June 9, Online: June 11
Coordinator: Molly Harrison and Ned Schwartz mollyned@yerizon.net

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

Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u>, then sign up online at <u>www.singlesonsaliboats.or</u>

June 21 Wednesday Mid Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice **Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the

be received by 14 mail a sepal coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove <u>barbaras mail@yahoo.com</u>
Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u>, then sign up online at <u>www.singleson</u>sailboats.org

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June 24/25 Saturday - Sunday Rock the Rock Weekend Cruise

Destination: Rock Creek, Patapsco River **Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member

Deadline: Mail: June 9 (postmark) Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must

Online: June 13 mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Carol Holmes/Meeps Yox cholmannap@verizon.net

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

July 1/2 Saturday - Sunday Fly the Flag Weekend Cruise

Destination: Broad Creek, Magothy River Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member

Deadline: Mail: June 16 (postmark) **Note:** Non-member may sail once with a member and must

Online: June 20 Mote. Mote Mote mail a separate Registration form with a check to the

Online: June 20 mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wise barbara1474@vahoo.com

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

July 8 Saturday Day Sail (Dockside Training)

Destination: Skipper's Choice **Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline: Mail: June 29 (postmark) Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must

Online: July 4 (9 pm) mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Leslie Bayliss leslie21403@yahoo.com

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



July 12 Wednesday Mid Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice \$17- Member or Non-Member

Non-member may sail once with a member and must Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must **Note:** mail a separate registration form with a check to the

be received by July 5 coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove barbaras mail@yahoo.com

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

Bastille Day & First Mate Cruise July 15/16 Saturday - Sunday (Dingy Race) Destination: Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member No name cove past Pickering

Creek on the Wye East River Deadline:

Non-member may sail once with a member and must Mail: June 30 (postmark) Note: mail a separate Registration form with a check to the

Online: July 4

Coordinator: Bev Nash beverlynash@verizon.net

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

First Mates to Join Raft after their cruise

July 15/16 Saturday - Sunday **First Mates Cruise**

Destination: Cost: No name cove past Pickering No cost. Open to First Mates, First Mate

> Creek on the Wye East River Emeritus and First Mate Candidates. Spend the day honing FM skills, as well as enjoying

Mail: June 30 (postmark) Deadline: Note: the day. Online: July 4

First Mates to Join Bastille Day Raft after the cruise.

BY INVATION ONLY Coordinator: TBA

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

September **Croatia Bareboat Cruise Adventure** 2017

Destination: Dalmation Coast, Cost: 1 Week \$1200 or \$1300 (boat size) Adriatic Sea 2 Week \$2131 or \$2330 (boat size)

1 Week: Starts September 9 or Sept.16 Contact trip coordinator if interested. Note:

Starts September 9 Coordinator: Laura Gwinn laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com

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

DIRECTIONS

DNR (Department of Natural Resources) 632 Wye Island Road, Queenstown, MD 21658 http://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/eastern/wyeisland.html



From Bay Bridge (East bound):

2 Week:

Travel 17.2 miles eastbound on Route 50 and turn right onto Carmichael Road. Travel 5.1 miles on Carmichael Road until you cross the Wye Island Bridge. From the Wye Island Bridge, travel south on Wye Island Road for approximately 4.2 miles. Take left at "DNR Conference Lodge" sign. Go ½ mile to arrive at Conference Lodge complex.

From Easton (West bound):

Travel westbound on Route 50 to the Maryland Route 213 traffic light. Continue west on Route 50 for three miles and look for sign (Wye Island NRMA). Turn left onto Carmichael Road. Travel 5.1 miles on Carmichael Road until you cross the Wye Island Bridge. From the Wye Island Bridge, travel south on Wye Island Road for approximately 4.2 miles Take left at "DNR Conference Lodge" sign. Go ½ mile to arrive at Conference Lodge complex.

Sailing Notice to SOS Skippers June 3, 2017



This year SOS is again encouraging skippers to enter the Leukemia Cup Regatta with the purpose of contributing to a worthy cause, buoying our presence as a sailing club on the Chesapeake Bay and enjoying a spirited day of sailing.

You don't have to own a boat to contribute or to join in on the fun. In the past members of the Cruising and Social Committees have sold raffle tickets and provided tip jars at SOS functions. Individuals have volunteered to help with the regatta or at the post race party. Some skippers may schedule day sails and have Leukemia Cup donation information available.

Regatta Registration Information: http://www.leukemiacup.org/md/

Go to SOS web page to make donations to Team SOS or click on this link:

http://www.leukemiacup.org/pages/md/md17/teamsos

For more information please about the Regatta, please contact: Dennis Krizek (denniskri@msn.com)

Team SOS Pot Luck dinner May 19th, 6:00pm Leukemia Cup Fundraiser

Where: 336 Broadview Lane, Annapolis (home of Shirley & George Hollendursky)

Why: to benefit Team SOS, a four boat team racing in the Annapolis Leukemia Cup Regatta on June 3rd.

Entertainment: It will be fun and require group participation – even if just laughter from the sidelines!

Donation: Of \$10 (or more) is requested. Bring to the dinner your cash or check made out to "Leukemia & Lymphoma Society".

Bring: pot luck dish to share and BYOB

Sign-up: On SOS web page by May 15th. Limited to 35 people.

Questions: Contact Shirley Brooks at 410-573-5229 or shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com

Memorial Four-Day Cruise May 26-29 Little Choptank & Solomon's Island

Sign Up Deadline: May 15

Several skippers and crew have already signed up for this exciting Four-Day Cruise. Go register NOW if you are interested in sailing.

Friday: After a great sail we will anchor in the beautiful Hudson Creek off the Little Choptank River.

Saturday: We will continue to sail south and will dock at Zahniser's Yacht Center in Solomons Island, You'll have time to explore Solomons, hang out at the pool, take a hot shower, do laundry, take a bike into town, or ride the shuttle to the grocery store. At 5:00 we'll gather under a tent for Happy Hour with each boat bringing an appetizer to share and bringing your own drinks. After socializing folks can head into town for dinner at one of the many restaurants or eat at The Dry Dock Restaurant at the marina.



Drum Point Lighthouse at Calvert Marine Museum in Solomon's Island

(Be sure to make reservations to ensure you get seated. More info about the marina can be found at: http://www.zahnisers.com.

Sunday we head back north and the anchorage will be skipper's choice. **Monday** boats return to home ports.

Sign up now for the extremely popular cruise!

IMPORTANT INFO FOR SKIPPERS:

If you are even a little bit interested in participating in the 4-day Memorial Cruise you should call Zahniser's now to reserve your slip for Saturday, May 27th as reservations are taken on first come, first serve basis. This is an extremely popular weekend in Solomons and slips fill up quickly. So call NOW.

Be sure to tell the Dockmaster you are with Singles on Sailboats as the club will be paying for your slip and electricity as long as you have left an open berth for the coordination. (Call Dockmaster: Terry Walters at 410-326-2166 x4) If you find you are unable to sail or decide not to participate, call Zahniser's by May 24th to cancel. If you do not do so, you will have to pay for your slip.

10 Whisker Pole May 2014

Singles on Sailboats 2017 Sailing Schedule

May 6/7	Seis de Mayo Weekend Cruise – Rhode River
May 10	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed, Full Moon
May 13	Day Sail Sat & First Mates Party
May 19	Leukemia Cup Fundraising Potluck Party at Hollendursky's Home
May 20/21	DNR Weekend, Wye River, Granary Creek
May 24	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
May 26-29	4 Day Memorial Day Cruise, (Fr i- Hudson Creek off Little Choptank;
,	Sat - Zahnisers Marina, Sun -skippers' choice)
June 3	Leukemia Cup Regatta
June 3/4	Limerick Cruise – Gray's Inn Creek, Chester River
June 7	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
June 10	Day Sail Sat
June 17/18	Anniversary Weekend Cruise, Lankford Bay Marina, Chester River
June 21	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed, Summer Solstice
June 24/25	Rock the Rock Cruise, Rock Creek, Patapsco
July 1/2	Fly the Flag Weekend Cruise, Broad Creek, Magothy River
July 8	Day Sail Sat
July 12	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
July 15/16	Bastille Day Cruise/FM Option, No-name Cove past Pickering Creek, Wye R
July 22/23	Splish, Splash Weekend Cruise, Trippe Creek, Tred Avon River
July 27	Mid-Week Day Sail Thur
August 5/6	Seafood Feast, Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall
August 9	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
August 12/13	Town Hall Meeting/Cruise, Pirates Cove, West River
August 19/20	Appetizers and Desserts, Maynadier Creek, Severn River
August 23	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
August 26	Day Sail Sat
Sept. 1-4	4 day Labor Day Sail, Sassafras River
Sept. 9	Day Sail Sat
Sept 16	Hospice Cup Regatta
Sept 23/24	Autumn Solstice Weekend Cruise, Hunting Creek, Miles River
Sept 30/Oct 1	Chili Cruise Weekend, Drum Point, Wye River
Oct 4 Oct 7	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
Oct 11 or 12	Day Sail Sat
Oct 14/15	Great Schooner Race start, Annapolis Harbor Goose Cruise Weekend, Reed Creek, Corsica River
Oct 14/13	Mid-Week Day Sail Wed
Oct 27-30	4 day St. Michaels Oyster Fest Cruise, St. Michaels, Miles River
Nov 4/5	Blue Lips, Pier 7 Marina (Coconut Joe's), South River
Nov 11 or 12	Cruising Appreciation Party – TBD
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Did you receive a Comment Form after a recent sail? If not, check your SPAM folder. We need your input to improve the cruises!

Sock Burning







Vice Commodore Laura Gwinn leads SOSers in the traditional Sock Burning poem prior to throwing socks on fire to welcome the sailing season.

Photos by Sandy Huberfeld

Dockside Training



Allen Smith demonstrates how to put on an inflatable, very pink PFD. Photo by Mary Moore



(standing) Rick Bailey (seated L-R), Eileen Viteri, Lola Cobb, Mary O'Donnell, Jeff Buck, Anne Brooks-Senftleben Photo by Pam Ledford



Caroline Cherry
Photo by Pam Ledford



Mary O'Donnell
Photo by Pam Ledford

Flare and Safety Demo



Doug Townsend & Joan Tannen practice with fire extinguisher Photo by John Parsons



George Hollendursky instructs Debbie Eves how to safely shoot a flare gun Photo by John Parsons



Jeffrey Buck & Bill Knapp shoot hand held flares Photo by John Parsons



Steve Craig demonstrates how to toss line over piling (represented by person) Photo by John Parsons

Exciting, Interesting, Rewarding: The First Mate experience

Kitty St. Romain, FM

Being a First Mate (FM) will expand your sailing skills as you share your experience with others who are newer sailors and help them complete basic sailing skills. You will expand your understanding of sailing by being on various boats with diverse skippers. No two boats or skippers are alike. Each vessel has its own quirks and each skipper has reasons for doing things in a particular way. Find out how the skipper wants things done and help the rest of the crew to do as required. Be the skipper's second set of eyes with an awareness of the boat's situation at all times. You will also have the opportunity to sail with skippers new to the club to help familiarize them with club procedures, such as SOS rafting.

If this type of club service and involvement appeals to you, look at Forms and Such on the website



under First Mates for the details of how to become a FM. You will find the experience rewarding!



Linda Casucci and Ellie Kallins

Fellow members, do we have a plan!! Our club needs new members, new ideas, and future leaders. Soooo, here's the Scoop!



What if every member invites at least one single friend or relative to an SOS event for new members?



What if every **new member** event is packed full of warmhearted, friendly, spirited members who open their arms to welcome these potential SOS'ers?



What if these same seasoned members share with the potential SOS'ers: the joy of sailing, fun SOS experiences, and an openness to mentor them in the art of sailing?

Members, ask yourself; who do you know that has expressed an interest in sailing? What ideas, could you volunteer to the

membership committee that would attract these future sailors?

Contact and invite them to any of three "What's the Scoop" New Member events that have been scheduled this season:

- May 7th, Chestertown
 June 10th, Annapolis
 June 11th, Montgomery County

See Fleet Ex to register for this.

These events will be open forums for questions from New Members and Member's GUESTS!

This is a great opportunity for S.O.S. members to exhibit the wonders of our sailing community. It's a terrific chance to demonstrate our club's great ability to sail with skill and have lots of fun!

SOS Bank Accounts – March 31

Bareboat Escrow 70,518 Checking 41,131 Savings 73.274 Credit Card \$ (5,302) End of month total \$ 109,103

	Membership March 31 2017	Membership March 31 2016	Membership March 31 2015
Members	423	456	485
Skippers	114	110	111
Totals	537	569	596

TO PLACE A CLASSIFIED AD:

- Due 10th of month for publication the following month
- Send email to parandall@comcast.net with "classified ad" in the subject line
- You will receive a confirmation email back
- Ads will appear for three months unless you notifiy me earlier.

Pat Randall, Classified Page Editor



BOATS

1980 Catalina 27' \$5,000 OBO. Excellent day sailor and overnight cruiser. Well maintained and fully safety equipped. Spec sheets with photos provided upon request. Located at West River Yacht Harbour Marina, 4801 Riverside Drive, Galesville, MD 20765 Contact Rafal Olszewski 301-792-1172 rafalolszewski@yahoo.com

SABRE 34, MK1, 1984 for sale. The careful owner recently died. The vessel is berthed at Severn House in Annapolis. For more details please contact Brian Hanks 410.268.4685 05-17

SERVICES

Upgrade your Kitchens & Bathrooms: Home or Vessel Call Mark Rybas; 610-254-8345



Want to give back to the community? Want to support knowledge and advocacy for the Bay? Want to inspire another generation to love the Bay and perhaps also boating!

Then.....here is your chance to make a difference! Donate a few dollars and help to sponsor a camper for a week at the Annapolis Maritime Museum summer camp.

There are hundreds of kids within a few miles of the Bay, who have never caught a minnow, never touched a horseshoe crab, never even waded along the shoreline. Your help can open another world for these kids and show them a path toward environmental advocacy and maybe, someday, even sailing!

Just \$250 will sponsor one child for one week. Partial scholarships are also welcomed. Donations can be made with a check or credit card. To make your donation contact Sarah Krizek, Education Director (410) 295-0104 x 13.

Scuttlebutt: A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip.

I'm happy to be the new Scuttlebutt gatherer of news. Folks in SOS really DO care about one another,



and like to know what is going on in your life, even if it is not sailing related!

Please send your submissions to me (Jody Hutchinson) at mjh42@cornell.edu or mjodyh@yahoo.com Get those digits moving on your keyboards!

Now for some news:

Lynn Winkler had a great week sailing from Ft Lauderdale to Bimini. The 50' Dufour handled the rough crossing over the Gulf Stream to Bimini very well. They spent two days in Bimini then motored back at night to avoid predicted bad weather. They departed Alice Town at 7 pm and made Port Everglades it in 7.5 hours, arriving at 2:30 am. Then it was Miller time and getting signed off for ASA106. Congratulations Lynn!

Pam Ledford received the following note from Jacqueline, **Ron Ahler's neice,** who planned his memorial service the same weekend as Spring Training.

"It is unfortunate timing vis a vis SOS; had we known we would have tried for another date. Please extend warm thanks to all the SOS members who shared stories and photos. We will be thinking of his special group at the memorial."

Thank you Note from Social Committee Pam Ledford

Thank you to our SOS Members and guests for making Spring into Sailing!! the after Spring Training Party on March 11th a stupendous party! We anticipated 65 and were pleased with the 71 who signed up. It was a lot to ask of people due to the early morning start for classes at our fantastic Annual Spring Training, but the diehards were at the party to carry on. "Just Us" made their magical music with a good repertoire of songs, and of course, with our crazy dancing mates! Thanks again to our committed Social Committee who worked hard to bring members a good party at a reasonable cost.

An appreciative thank you to Cathy Laws for helping out; and to Dana Stoffregen and Sandy Demento for helping at storage closeout. A very special thank you to others: Dan Bacot, Ron Pence, Laurie Martinson, Joe Lombardo, Linda Perkins, and Linda Nelson for going the distance before the next day Brunch.



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

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

NVA/DC: May 3rd 5 pm

MYLOS GRILL (in the bar area) mylosgrill.com Our first of two NVA/DC Happy Hours. Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA in the McLean/ Chesterbrook shopping center.

Free parking, great food!

Contact: CHARLOTTE: coconor@aol.com

1st Thursday

ELLICOTT CITY, MD: May 4th 5:30- 7:30 pm

BARE BONES Grill & Brewery 9150-22 Baltimore Natl. Pike, 410-461-0770 barebonesgrill.com.

Corner of St. Johns Lane & Rte 40, Ellicott City, MD 21042 JILL- jill.montgom@gmail.com Contact:



1st Thursday

SE PA: May 4th 6 pm

MCKENZIE'S Brew House- 324 W Swedesford Road, Berwyn, (610) 407 4300. Our first of two Happy Hours. This is South of Trader Joe's (Gateway Shopping Ctr). off Rt. 202. Meet a great group of social people who like sailing, conversation & great food!

> PATTI - pattievans@aol.com Contact:

PLEASE E-MAIL Happy Hour PIX

то: sailhither@hotmail.com

1st Thursday

SOUTH-CENTRAL PA: May 4th 6:30 - 9

HERITAGE HILLS Golf Resort, 2700 Mt. Rose Avenue, PA-124, York, Pa.on the lower level of Knickers Pub.

> Contact: BOB - sosrjmorrow@aol.com

1st Thursday

SO NJ & PHILA: May 4th 5:30 PM

RIVERWIND'S RESTAURANT, Great food, drinks and Happy Hour prices. 1075 Riverwinds Dr, West Deptford, NJ

LORA - doniala@aol.com Contact:

2nd Thursday

NORTH BALTIMORE: May 11th 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

3rd Wednesday

WILMINGTON, DE: May 17th 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

3rd Thursday

ROCKVILLE. MD: May 18th 5 - 7pm

THE MARRIOTT Hotel, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda. (near the White Flint Metro station). Meet in the bar area or outside patio as weather permits.

Contact: JON - jonbernheimer@verizon.net

3rd Thursday

KENT ISLAND: May 18th 4:30 - 7pmFISHERMAN'S INN, 3116 Main Street, Grasonville-

(410) 827-6666

Contact: MARILYN Goodson msgoods7@gmail.com

3rd Thursday

SE PA: **May 18th 6-10 pm** (our 2nd HH)

AZIE ON MAIN- - 789 East Lancaster Ave., Villanova. near the Blue Route, 1 block West of Rt. 320, Mall area behind FedEx. In back of mall, w/lg bar area and outside Fire Pit Patio, super low long HH prices Meet a great group of sailing people!

Contact: PATTI - pattievans@aol.com

4th Thursday

ANNAPOLIS, MD: 5-7 pm and later at May 25th Coconut Joe's, 48 South River Rd, Edgewater, cocojoes@comcast.net 443-837-6057.. From Annapolis, go south on Route 2. Cross over the South River Bridge in the left lane. The first left turn after the bridge then another left leads you back to the waterfront restaurant. Happy hour food / drinks.

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Sailing Season Begins

Day Sails - May 10, 13, 24

Seis de Mayo Cruise - May 6/7
DNR Cruise - May 20/21
4-Day Memorial Cruise - May 26/29