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Awards Banquet on Bourbon Street January 26, 2019



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

Embrace the Big Easy as you sit back and groove to the sounds of relaxing jazz music at dinner. Then be ready to break out those dancing shoes for a vibe

by the Motor Driven Band that you can't resist.

- **Location:** Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis
- **Cost:** \$60 with **cash bar**
- **Dress:** Business Casual
- **Menu:** Salmon, Flank Steak, Vegetarian Option
- **Band:** Motor Driven
- **Time:** 5:30 – 10:30

Treat yourself to an overnight stay and be well rested for the SOS Brunch on Sunday. Rooms are very reasonable right now but the cost will increase around the Holidays, so make your reservations soon!

Spring Training March 16, 2019

After a one-year hiatus, Spring Training is back! Our Spring Training team is putting together a program of sailing experts to engage all levels of sailors – novices to world class cruisers.

Spring Training will be an all-day program on Saturday, March 16, 2019 on the campus of Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) in Arnold, MD.

The SOS ST team has assembled an extremely salty group of experts on aspects of sailing and boat ownership. There are sessions for sailors at every level, from complete novice to "old salt."

You can individually tailor your day of sessions to match your interests. Sessions you can choose from include: sail trim, navigation, safety, docking, boat maintenance, handling, and more. What you'll learn at SOS Spring Training can help make you a better sailor for spring, summer and fall.



The February newsletter will have more details about the sessions and registration information. Be sure to sign up right away, so you can get the sessions you want.

See you there!

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season.



Our club is not only a club, but a community where we help each other on boats and on land. We are a great club and I hope each of you is an ambassador talking up the club to other people with a passion for the water and want to sail or want to learn more about sailing.

We now have a new Education Chair, Bill Knapp. Without waiting for an Education chair, Dana Stoffregen and Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky have scheduled two seminars, one in January on Night Sailing and one in February on Boat Safety. Irene Aronian has Spring Training on March 16 well in hand. Thanks to all of you.

Mary Ellen Murphy is stepping down as Social Chair. She has done a great job and we thank her. She has a lot of depth on her committee with active volunteers/chairs. If you are interested in serving as Social Committee chair, let Cathy Laws or me know.

We have a conscientious and hardworking membership chair in Donna Kachura and Janet Gonski is helping her. This is a very important committee and we need to explore membership options and where the club is going. The membership is down to around 500 which is much less than several years ago. We need to talk about what we want the club to be and where it is going. Do we want to keep doing what we are doing so that our membership continues to dwindle as our members grow older, or to we want to look at other options? We also need to continue our outreach to new members, potential new members and keeping members – all of which takes time and energy.

We need to identify our “market” and how to attract those potential members. If you can help please contact Donna, Janet or me.

The Board and chairs had a great training on December 1st. One of the key issues that came up is that we need to ensure that we are financially solvent. Just to keep the website up, publish the newsletter, provide insurance and storage facilities all cost money even if as a member all you do is check the newsletter or the website or attend the happy hours.

My review of our expenses is that the Board has kept expenses pretty low but these costs rise. These types of costs are part of dues and as more of our members become life members this becomes a challenge.

Our social events and seminars, trainings and chats are designed to pay for themselves. Janet Gonski has written an article on page 8 to discuss these issues.

We have a great resource in our website. At the click of a button you can look at and register for events, find a member's contact information or look at what is required for any of the committees, board or members. Additionally, there is a long-range planning calendar to look for conflicts personally or as a committee chair or board member. Take a few minutes to explore this great resource. Thank you, John McDonald, for acting as Database chair and helping to create this resource.

We have changed the dates and places of some of the Board meetings to make it more convenient for members and Board members to attend Board meetings. A side benefit is that it will save some money. Check the Fleet exercises

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Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

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

Plan to mail your check early to the **event coordinator, not the SOS mail box.**
Many events have limited capacity; therefore, an event may be filled even before the deadline date.
The postmark is the date used as the mail in cutoff/deadline date.
All checks are to be made payable to SOS, Inc.

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



January 6	Sunday	Fireside Chat: Baltimore/Essex/Middle River
Location:	Baltimore, MD	Cost: \$20, member or guest
Speaker/Topic:	Kathy Haven, "The Great Kent Island to Trinidad and Back Cruising Adventure"	Host Art Hoffman, Time: 3-6 PM
Deadline:	Mail: December 27 (postmark) Online: January 2	Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. Limited to 18 persons.
Coordinator:	Bill Small, smallfavors@hotmail.com Please be sure to log-in first , then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	



January 12	Saturday	Seminar for Skippers, FM, Experienced Crew Night Sailing
Location:	Park Place Condos Community Room 5 Park Place Annapolis, MD	Cost: \$15 - Brunch \$18 – After deadline and walk-ins. Limited to 15 participants
Speaker/Topic:	Dane & Ursula Skagen Night Sailing	Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Deadline:	Mail: January 7 (postmark) Online: January 9	Note: Coffee and Snacks provided
Coordinator:	Shirley Brooks Hollendursky shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com Please be sure to log-in first , then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	



January 19	Saturday	Fireside Chat: Annapolis
Location:	Annapolis, MD	Cost: \$20, member or guest
Speaker/Topic:	Dennis Krizek, "The Perilous Journey of the Skipjack, Wilma Lee, 1940 to Present: Murder, Dismasting and a Hurricane"	Host Lorraine Fassett Time: 5 PM
Deadline:	Mail: January 15 (postmark) Online: January 15	Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. Limited to 18 persons.
Coordinator:	Bev Nash, beverlynash@verizon.net Please be sure to log-in first , then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	

Sold Out!



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

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

Speaker/Topic: Peter and Joan Stogis, "Cruising the Higher Latitudes: Iceland, Greenland, Alaska, Svalbard" **Host:** Barbara Wise

Deadline: Mail: January 11 (postmark) **Time:** 5:00 PM

Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. **Limited to 15 persons.**

Coordinator: Suzanne Vaughn, suzyvaughn2@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



January 26 Saturday Awards on Bourbon Street

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD **Cost:** \$60

Master of Ceremonies: John McDonald **Cost:** \$65 – After deadline and walk-ins.

Band: Motor Driven **Time:** 5:30 – 6:00 pm Social – **Cash Bar**

Deadline: Mail: January 15 (postmark) **Note:** 6:00 – 7:00 pm Dinner

Coordinator: Linda Perkins linhper@yahoo.com **Time:** 7:30 - 10:30 pm Awards & Dancing /more awards and more dancing

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



January 27 Sunday Brunch

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

Speaker/Topic: Elvia Thompson, co-founder of Annapolis Green / In nature, nothing exists alone. **Time:** \$33 – After deadline and walk-ins.

Deadline: Mail: January 21 (postmark) **Time:** 11:00 am Social Hour

Coordinator: Nancy Morgan, nancyruthmorgan@gmail.com, **Time:** 12:00 noon Brunch

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org **Time:** 1:00 pm Program

Note: Meet in the **COASTAL** room



January 27 Sunday Board Meeting

Location: The Double Tree Hotel 210 Holiday Court Off Riva Road in Annapolis, MD **Time:** 2:15pm to 4:30pm

Notes: After the Brunch Open to all Members



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

Destination: Central America on the western border of the Caribbean Sea **Cost:** \$1900 + +

Note: Contact trip coordinator if interested.

Coordinator: Deb Kauffman debkauffman@comcast.net
Go to sosbareboat.simplesite.com for more details



February 2 Saturday Seminar for All Skill Levels – Boating Safety
Location: Heritage Community Club House
 1319 Hawkins Lane
 Annapolis, MD
Speaker/Topic: USCG Auxiliary
Boating Safety
Deadline: Mail: January 28 (postmark)
 Online: January 30
Coordinator: Lynn Gilley ltgilley@verizon.net
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



February 7 Thursday Board Meeting
Location: Greenbriar Community Ctr.
 Greenbelt, MD
Time: 7:00 to 10:00pm
 Doors open 6:45pm
Notes: Open to all Members



February 9 Saturday Fireside Chat: Howard Co./Frederick
Location: Woodbine, MD
Cost: \$20, member or guest
Speaker/Topic: Janet Gonski
 "Of Boats and Bridges: Creating
 Nautical Art Even When You
 Thought You Couldn't Draw"
Host: Karl Scible
Time: 5:00 PM
Deadline: Mail: February 1 (postmark)
 Online: February 5
Note: Non-members must be accompanied by
 member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.
Limited to 18 persons.
Coordinator: Janet Gonski, JGsunset@Yahoo.com
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



February 17 Sunday Regional Branches
Location: Held in private homes of SOS
 members in Delaware,
 Pennsylvania, New Jersey,
 Florida, Maryland and Washington
 DC. After locations are determined
 and published, members will
 contact Host/Hostess directly to
 register and receive directions
Cost: \$10 payable at the door plus a dish to share
Time: 11:00 am Social Hour
 12:00 noon Brunch
Deadline: Contact host by February 13
Note: No online sign-up for this event. Please
 RSVP directly to the host.
Coordinator: To volunteer to host a brunch, contact Suzanne Vaughn, suzyvaughn@aol.com



February 23 Saturday Fireside Chat: Montgomery Co/Northern VA
Location: Bethesda, MD
Cost: \$20, member or guest
Speaker/Topic: Emil Becker,
 "A Panama Canal Transit by
 Sailboat"
Host: Bruce Beckert and Vicky Wood
Chef: Willo Pequegnat
Time: 5:30 PM
Deadline: Mail: February 15 (postmark)
 Online: February 19
Note: Non-members must be accompanied by
 member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.
Limited to 25 persons.
Coordinator: Bruce Beckert: brubeck9@gmail.com
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



February 23 Saturday Fireside Chat: Annapolis Area

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

Speaker/Topic: Sandy Rosswork, "An African Adventure: Cruising the Zambezi Where Elephants and Hippos Come to Play" **Host:** Sandy Rosswork

Deadline: Mail: February 15 (postmark) **Time:** 5:00 PM

Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. **Limited to 15 persons.**

Coordinator: Carol Holmes, cholmannap@verizon.net
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 2 Saturday Fireside Chat: Montgomery Co/Northern VA

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

Speaker/Topic: Debra Roane, "An African Adventure: Cruising the Zambezi Where Elephants And Hippos Come to Play" **Host:** Jon Bernheimer

Deadline: Mail: February 22 (postmark) **Time:** 5:00 PM

Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. **Limited to 20 persons.**

Coordinator: Linda Casucci, casuccilj@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 9 Saturday Fireside Chat: Annapolis Area

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

Speaker/Topic: Anne George, "Sex in the Chesapeake: Oysters, Crabs, and Jellyfish. Oh My!" **Host:** Nancy & John Parsons

Deadline: Mail: March 1 (postmark) **Time:** 5:00 PM

Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. **Limited to 17 persons.**

Coordinator: Carole Jordan seajay2844@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 16 Saturday Spring Training

Location: Anne Arundel Community College, Arnold, MD **Cost:** \$55(until 2/20/2019)
\$63 (after 2/20 until deadline)
\$75 – After deadline, walk-ins, non members

Speaker/Topic: Various (see pages 9-13) **Time:** 8:30am to 4:30pm

Deadline: Mail: March 5, 2019 (postmark) **Note:** See pages 9-13 for details
Online: March 11, 2019

Coordinator: Cathy Laws lawscm55@gmail.com

Event Planner: Irene Aronian ireneian.aronian@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



March 17 Sunday Brunch

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD **Cost:** \$31 – Brunch
\$33 – After deadline and walk-ins.

Speaker/Topic: Photo Retrospective & General Meeting. **Time:** 11:00 am Social Hour
12:00 noon Brunch
1:00 pm Program

Deadline: Mail: March 11 (postmark) **Note:** Meet in the **COASTAL** room
Online: March 19 General Membership meeting 2pm to 2:30pm

Coordinator: Meeps Yox mpsyx@earthlink.net
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

DIRECTIONS

Greenbriar Center, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, MD.

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

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

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

Park Place Condos Community Room, 5 Park Place, Annapolis MD 21401

From Route 50 take Exit 24 - Rowe Blvd

Right on Taylor Avenue (second traffic light)

Pass the Police Station on Right

Pass Dry Cleaner, You will see seven story condominium.

Immediately after passing building turn left (small sign says Park Place) *

Winter Education Opportunities

Fireside Chats

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

Come join Karl Scible and Janet Gonski in western Howard County (between Columbia and Frederick; easy drive from Rte. 270 and Montgomery Co areas) for an evening of good food, good company and perhaps some good (?) artwork at Of Boats and Bridges Fireside Chat on **February 9**. Did you know a simple figure 8 could become a beached rowboat in just a few strokes of the pencil? I didn't believe it either ... Until I tried. Expand your vision of yourself as an artist and enjoy an evening with other SOSers as we share our creative side and sketch some nautical vistas – or at least enjoy trying together.



On **February 23** in Bethesda Emil Becker presents his transit through the Panama Canal by sailboat. Also on that date, Sandy Rosswork will take us into the watery environment of southwestern Africa with its spectacular flora and fauna.

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

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

Seminars

Night Sailing Seminar **January 12, 1:00 – 5:00**

Have you been intrigued by night sailing but thought you may not have the skills to attempt it? Then come to this Seminar to hear Delivery Captains Dane and Ursula Skagen answer your questions, share their night sailing knowledge based on years of blue water and coastal sailing, and regale you with stories of their world wide adventures.

With this new knowledge you will be ready to venture out for a sail under the next full moon! Although this Seminar is geared for the experienced sailor, everyone is welcome.

Boating Safety Seminar **February 2, 1:00 – 5:00.**

This Seminar is appropriate for all skill levels and will be presented by the USCG Auxiliary. The format will be a 50-minute presentation on one topic, followed by Q&A before moving on to the next topic.



- Discussion will include, but not limited to:
- overview of federal and state (Maryland) laws & regulations
 - law enforcement and safety- roles and responsibilities of the USCG, USCG Aux, and DNR
 - update on new technologies- VHF radio, GPS, etc.
 - optional equipment to enhance safety (navigation equipment, life raft, etc)
 - marine resources on the Bay- weather buoys, NOAA apps, etc.
 - review of "Rules of the Road"
 - "Green Boat" initiative

Where Does My Membership Fee Go?

As membership renewal time rolls around, we often wonder, "Where does our annual dues go? What benefit do I get?" While training the new Board and committee chairs at our December offsite meeting, this discussion led to the decision to write this article.

When you joined SOS, you received a New Member Packet for which you paid a one-time \$10 toward printing and postage; your package included a Member Directory which we have sent to all members annually free of charge. Each time you log into singlesonsailboats.org you are receiving the benefit of web hosting, domain name, as well as MemberClicks software to register for events, search for a member, view the calendar, newsletter, links throughout the site.

Some general "keeping the business going" items include the Post Office Box rental, phone contact, insurances,

and required annual audit. We also have storage lockers for all those items used at Spring Training, coolers and materials for parties; banners, lines, cleat boards and so much more materials we use repeatedly as well as a small air-controlled locker to maintain the required documents of the club and our audio-visual equipment.

Each August, we hold a Town Hall for the general membership where you meet the new Board nominees – and enjoy a free dinner.

The monthly newsletter, though we pay \$20 for a hard copy if we wish, that only covers perhaps half of the annual cost. The newsletters are also printed and sent to the Happy Hour coordinators to give out to potential members at their monthly gatherings.

Another public outreach comes with articles and ads in local media with a sailing interest – we have several ways

to get our name out there without paying for it, but when we advertise special events, the ads cost money.

And as we acknowledge those who have contributed to SOS in the annual Awards Banquet, the engraving of the plaques and the cups are paid for by the general membership funds – the origin of which is our annual dues.

Along of course this gives you access to every so many events, sails, bareboat opportunities, parties, experiences ... phew! And friends.... It is a pretty good deal for the money!

If you have any ideas on ways to increase the club's revenue, to decrease costs in any area, please share with any Board member – in person, via email... in any way. This is your club – share your ideas.

"Annapolis Green" Brunch January 27th

"In nature, nothing exists alone." Rachel Carson, author of *Silent Spring*



It started with a couple of friends talking about how it's not easy to get the big picture of Green initiatives in the Annapolis area. Or in any area for that matter! Why not put it all in one place for the benefit of all? With Lynne Forsman, they created the Annapolis Green website/Green Drinks combo.

Let's continue thinking our "green" New Year Resolutions with our January Brunch speaker Elvia Thompson. She is president and co-founder of Annapolis Green, a different type of environmental non-profit organization.

If you have refused a plastic straw, filled your re-usable water bottle, participated in a Zero-Waste event, or stopped by the Green House on State Circle, you've seen the work of Annapolis Green, one of the many local organizations that promote Green benefits to families and our environment. It is not a shovels-in-the-ground, stream restoration organization. It is environmentally effective in a distinctive way, by implementing programs to connect, inform, and inspire Annapolis residents, organizations, and businesses to change habits to improve the environment.

Elvia Thompson is retired from a federal career that included work at NASA and the Department of Defense. She is on the Boards of the Back Creek Conservancy and the Annapolis Maritime Museum and is on the Anne Arundel County Steering Committee of the Maryland League of Conservation Voters. Elvia loves to travel and is an accomplished sailor. She has cruised extensively in the Chesapeake, Caribbean, Atlantic and Pacific.

Membership Renewal

Now through 01/31/19

Current Members:

Annual membership fee of \$70.00 plus \$20 to receive the hard copy monthly newsletter for the whole year.



Life Members:

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

New Members:

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

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

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

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and the long-range planning calendar for the dates. Members are welcome and this may make it easier for you to attend. Thank you, Dana and Suzanne Vaughn, for helping to make this happen.

Even though boats are put away, you will not be bored this winter. In January 2019, we have three fireside chats in different places, the night sailing seminar, the awards banquet January 26, 2019 and the brunch, January 27, 2019. The Board meeting will be held after the brunch at the DoubleTree.

In February 2019, we have the regional brunches, three fireside chats, the bareboat to Belize and the seminar on safety.

In March, we have two fireside chats, Spring Training, the brunch with a membership meeting and then the Board meeting after that at the DoubleTree in Annapolis. Check the Fleet exercises here in the newsletter, ably compiled by Ned Schwartz for dates, times, places, costs and how to register.

As you go about your days this month, try to talk up SOS to at least one new person and potentially recruit them. Take them to a Happy Hour or an event.

Here is to a great 2019 and I hope to see you at an event.

Becky

There was no December Board Meeting; therefore there are no Board Notes in this issue.

SPRING TRAINING MARCH 16, 2019

(save the date and watch for details in February newsletter)

**SLOOP O-RING FURLER CUNNINGHAM MOB CLOVEHITCH
STAND-ON BEACON**

These are just a few of the hundreds of terms you'll hear at Spring Training 2019!

Whether your goal is to fine-tune existing skills, refresh your skills, gain new knowledge and skills, or just to learn your way around a sailboat, SOS Spring Training is the place to go.

Finding the time to learn about sailing or to improve your knowledge can be a bit overwhelming, so we've created a series of **"Bite Sized Lessons"** covering a wide variety of topics. And you can do this all in one day!

Take advantage of this opportunity to learn from both experienced sailors and industry professionals. There are classes for all interests including:

- New at boating and sailing
 - Novice crew member
 - Experienced crew member
 - Boat owners
- For New boaters: Learn about reading charts, navigating on the water, using a radio, knots, basic sailing principles, overnights, proper gear
 - For Novice crew: Build you knowledge and skills: Sail trim, Using knots, Winch operation, Rules of the Road, wind/weather
 - For Experienced crew: Enhance your sail trim knowledge, Catamaran focus, Latest responses to medical situations, wind/weather, Man overboard, Get to know radar, Prop-talk
 - For Owners: Explore the complex Systems on sailboats; Rigging, Winches, Sails, Diesel engines, fresh water systems, refrigeration and AC/heating.



SCUTTLEBUTT

(A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip)



George and Shirley Hollendursky celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary in New York City at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade (prime seats on parade route in warm setting with lots of food and drink!) The five days were a whirlwind of celebration with visits to Broadway plays, Statue of Liberty, 9-11 Memorial Museum, and the Radio City Rockettes. It was windy with temperatures in the 20s, but that didn't stop us from walking all over the city to soak up the holiday spirit from the beautiful light displays and decorated store windows.

After 6 years of limping and the last three taking meds, **Doug Lansinger** heeded the advice of fellow members. And had a total hip replacement with just 11 days in the hospital and rehab. His room at rehab did have two sailing photos, so it was a sign that he was meant to be there. The one black and white photo was taken from the starboard side of the bow over looking two whisker poles with the port tack jib and the sunset showing just under the foot of the jib. This would have won an SOS photo contest if submitted. So after 15 days Doug got approval to drive and is now looking forward to longer walks after sailing.

Barbara Wise visited family in Miami for 10 days during Thanksgiving holiday. Nice to be in flip flops in 80 degree weather, just as DC started to freeze. She tried to get into Mar-a-Lago, only to get stopped by security. Darn, just because she left her invitation at home.

Barbara is going to start a new exercise routine, shopping gyms and trainers or may go back to a former trainer. She is putting out a challenge to everyone in SOS to find a new routine, a new winter sport; a new healthy way of being for

the new year.. We can share on the SOS Facebook page and support one another. Anybody up for the challenge?

Laura Gwinn spent two weeks in Belize in December with a diving buddy from Montreal. They dove the Great Blue Hole to 130'! Saw lots of sharks, rays, barracuda, beautiful sponges and corals on other dives. She will spend the winter in Mexico where several SOS friends will come dive with her.

Ann Ashton flying to New Zealand in February to take a 12 day cruise on the Noordam to include NZ and Australia.

Peter and Joan Stogis have completed their transition to a continuing care facility, namely Asbury Methodist Village in Gaithersburg. It has been a very hectic few months --- downsizing, getting a home ready to sell, packing, moving and worse of all unpacking. Even though they have "swallowed the anchor" they look forward to continuing contact with their SOS friends.

Chuck and Julie Fort took a little trip south in December. Starting from home in Newark DE, they drove down the Atlantic coast, with stops in Virginia Beach, VA, Nags Head, NC, Hatteras Island, NC, Carolina Beach, NC (but didn't see Jim Cantore), Charleston, SC, Savannah, GA, St. Augustine, FL, and Port St. Lucie, FL, and Key West. While in Key West, they joined Teri Craig and Karl Geveker for the Key West SOS Happy Hour at Schooners Wharf before boarding a huge catamaran to watch the Key West Lighted Boat Parade from the water. Then Chuck and Julie headed back north going up the Gulf coast of Florida toward home.

Regional Brunches - February 17

February brings back the popular Regional Brunches. Those attending will be asked to contribute \$10 and bring a dish to share at the party.

We're looking for homes to host on Sunday, the 17th. Whether you have room for 5 or 25 guests, please participate in this wonderful opportunity to get to know other SOS members in a more personal setting. Speakers are not part of the format for Regional Brunches; we just need home locations and enthusiastic hosts/hostesses.

If you would like to host, please contact Suzanne Vaughn at suzyvaughn@aol.com. All locations will be announced in a blast early February.

Cruising Corner Under Construction!
Check back in February for 2019 Cruising Schedule

Pre-Thanksgiving Dinners



(L to R Seated): Carol Neimand, Lola Cobb, Henrietta Hyatt-Knorr, and Pete Stogis.
(L to R Standing): Carman Gannotti, Larry Garthe, Debbie Goldberg, Joan Stogis, Roger Andes, Vicki Woods, and Jim Randall.



(L to R): Lynn Singley, Cindy Hooper, Wendy Adams, Suzanne Farr, Doug Love, Marian Scheinholtz, and Doug Townsend



(L to R): Cindy Hooper, Henry Weisenberg, Wendy Adams, Doug Love, Marian Scheinholtz and Lynn Singley

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Pre-Thanksgiving Dinners (continued)



North VA. SOS Regional Thanksgiving dinner. Front row: Charlotte O'Connor, Judy Downey, Irene Aronian, Susan Jenkins, Cecelia Jauvier, Hope Andruss, Trish Remele, Jeanne Maroney. Back row: Jim Wray (host), Jan Warfield, Doug Gage, John Ihnat, Debra Roane, Karl Hamady, Dorothy Nicholson, John McDonald and Teresa Scofield,.



(L to R): Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky, George Hollendursky, Teeja Meier and Kathy Higdon



(L to R): Leslie Bayliss, Nancy Briggs, Lorraine Fassett, and Carol Holmes

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Welcome new Happy Hour page editor Lora Donia. In the future please send any changes, updates, or new information about Happy Hours to Lora at doniala@aol.com



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: **Jan 2nd** **5:00 PM**
MYLO'S GRILL 6238 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA 22101. Located in the Chesterbrook Shopping Center. Meet in the bar area. Free parking and great food!
703-533-5880 www.mylosgrill.com
CONTACT: TRISH - trishreml@gmail.com 703-919-7729

1st Thursday
ELLCOTT CITY: **Jan 3rd** **5:30-7:30 PM**
BARE BONES Grill & Brewery 9150-22 Baltimore Natl Pk, (Corner of St. Johns Lane & Rt 40) Ellicott City, MD 21042
410-461-0770 www.barebonesgrill.com
CONTACT: JILL - jill.montgom@gmail.com

1st Thursday
NEW JERSEY: **Jan 3rd** **5:30-7:30 PM**
RIVERWIND'S RESTAURANT 1075 Riverwinds Drive, West Deptford, NJ 08096. Exit 21 off Route 295. Meet in the bar area. Happy hour pricing on drinks & apps 'til 7 PM.
856-579-7900 www.theriverwindsrestaurant.com
CONTACT: LORA - doniala@aol.com 856-655-5525

1st Thursday
SE PA: (1st HH) **Jan 3rd** **5:00-7:00 PM**
AZIE ON MAIN 789 E. Lancaster Ave, Villanova, PA 19085. Near the Blue Route, 1 Block West of Rt 320, Mall area behind FedEx. Back of Mall. Happy Hour prices 5-7 PM.
610-527-5700 www.azieonmain.com
CONTACT: PATTI - pattievs@aol.com

1st Thursday **"NEW LOCATION"**
SOUTH-CENTRAL PA: **Jan 3rd** **6:30-9 pm**
LANCASTER BR EWING CO 750 Eisenhower Blvd, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Join us on Jan 3rd at our new location. New location will be determined and announced in the January Whisker Pole.
CONTACT: BOB - sosrjmorrow@aol.com

2nd Thursday **"NEW LOCATION"**
BALTIMORE: **Jan 10th** **5:00 - 7:00 PM**
NICK'S FISH HOUSE 2600 Insulator Drive, Baltimore, MD 21230. Happy Hour pricing on select food & drinks 5-7 PM.
410-347-4123 www.nicksfishhouse.com
CONTACT: ART - arthoffman@ymail.com

3rd Wednesday
WILMINGTON: **Jan 16th** **5:30 PM**
TIMOTHY'S R estaurant and B ar, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink specials until 7 PM.
302-429-7427 www.timothysontheriverfront.com
CONTACT: GERI - geriwalker12@gmail.com

3rd Thursday
ROCKVILLE: **Jan 17th** **5:00 - 7:00 PM**
THE MARRIOTT Hotel 5701 Marinelli Rd, Bethesda, MD 20852. Located near the White Flint Metro station. Meet in the bar area. Two hours free parking - validate parking ticket at the bar. 301-822-9200 www.marriott.com
CONTACT: JON - jonbernheimer@verizon.net

3rd Thursday
KENT ISLAND: **Jan 17th** **4:30 - 7:00 PM**
FISHERMAN'S INN 3116 Main Street, Grasonville, MD 21638. Happy Hour food and drink specials from 4-6 PM.
410-827-6666 www.fishermansinn.com
CONTACT: MARILYN - msgoods7@gmail.com

3rd Thursday
SE PA: (2nd HH) **Jan 17th** **5:00 - 7:00 PM**
HARVEST GRILL 555 E. Lancaster Ave, Radnor, PA 19087. Happy Hour Specials 4:30-7 PM.
484-584-4975 www.harvestseasonalgrill.com
CONTACT: PATTI - pattievs@aol.com

4th Thursday **"NEW LOCATION"**
ANNAPOLIS: **Jan 24th** **5:00 - 7:00 PM**
New location for this month is **THE GREEN TURTLE** 177 Jennifer Road at West/450, in the restaurant park across from the Annapolis Mall Sears. In the front door, work your way left and at the back of the restaurant you will see the "party room". ORDER with our personal waitress!
410-266-7474 www.thegreenturtle.com
CONTACT: RON - repence@msn.com 301-717-2770



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BOATS FOR SALE

25' O 'Day , 197 6 Beautiful sailer, with 9.9 Tohatsu outboard motor electric start, only 50 hours, new in 2014. Draft 36" to 6' with center-board down. Tiller replaced 5 years ago. New electric portable head never used. Main and jib in very good condition. \$6,000 firm: Contact Carole: carolelowery46@gmail.com Slip is paid through April 2019. No longer able to sail, winch, or handle tiller due to right arm injury. 09-18

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

1995 B oat Show S abre 38 M KII M asthead S loop, H ull 216. Parfait. Blue Awlgrip Hull, Gold Accent, Red Boot Strip. Fully Battened Mainsail with Atal Track, Dutchman Flaking System and Cover, 135% Genoa and Cruising Spinnaker with Sock, Windlass, 33lb. Bruce Anchor with 200 Chain and Danforth Anchor with 150' Rode. 38hp Westerbeke Diesel Engine, Two Blade Folding Prop, 12V Refrigerator/Freezer, Raymarine 48 Mile Radar, D120 Chart Plotter, Auto Pilot, 110V Air/Heat Air Conditioner, and much more. If interested, please contact Howard Newman at h.newman2@comcast.net 10-18

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

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

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

Tartan 37 , 1980 " Pilgrim" Classic Sparkman and Stephens design, Hull 288. Keel-centerboard, 4'2" draft, perfect for Chesapeake. Cutter-rigged, sheets and reefing lines all lead to cockpit for easy handling. Sail inventory includes cruising spinnaker with North snuffer. Autopilot. New propane range, 3 burners with oven, and rebuilt, engine-driven Sea Frost refrigeration. Sleeps 4 to 6 persons. Clean and well-maintained. Asking \$42,000. Contact ifstogis@comcast.net or pedsto@compuserve.com 12-18

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

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SLIP f or RENT "Prime position 30 ft sailboat-depth slip; Severn House, Back Creek. Drive right up to load and unload. Contact Brian at: brian@henleyhanks.com 09-18

ITEMS FOR SALE

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