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Membership Renewal: Nov 1, 2017 - Jan 31, 2018
Membership Year: Jan 1 - Dec 31

Current Members: Annual membership fee of \$70.00 (which *no longer* includes the hard copy of the Whisker Pole). Members can opt *in* to receive the hard copy for \$20.00 for the whole year. Beginning with the January 2018 issue of the Whisker Pole, we will return to the former system of online access – the color version! - available to everyone online and the payment of \$20.00 to receive a hard copy monthly.



We had consciously planned to absorb the cost of sending a hard copy to all members for one year while analyzing the impact on participation. Although we had anticipated the reinstatement of the printed newsletter would impact members planning ahead for events and sailing opportunities, we found the greatest spikes in participation followed blasts, especially “Last Call” blasts; there was little correlation in participation to the receipt of the hard copy version.

New Members: First year membership of \$80.00 includes a \$10.00 one-time administrative charge. New members will have the option of receiving a free hard copy of the Whisker Pole during the first year of membership; upon renewal they will be able to opt in to continue receiving it with the same \$20.00 payment as current members.

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

CURRENT MEMBER RENEWAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- You are a member or associate member as of December 31, 2016.
- You DO NOT meet the requirements of a LIFE MEMBER, or HONORARY MEMBER.
- FEES and MEMBER PROFILE:
 - You pay the renewal fee
 - You must update your Member Profile
 - For online renewal, payment is by credit

card or check.

- For mail-in renewal, payment is by check only
- If you DO want to receive a printed newsletter, you MUST check appropriate box and pay the \$20 fee.

LIFE MEMBER RENEWAL INSTRUCTIONS:

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE A LIFE MEMBER IF: you are 70 or older as of December 31, 2016 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, 2016. If you had any lapses in membership in the past 10 years, you are not a Life Member.

- FEES and MEMBER PROFILE:
 - You do not pay the renewal fee. But you must email the Membership Chair if you were a dues-paying member this past year to get approval for Life Member status.
 - You must update your Member Profile to prevent any lapse in membership.
 - You must pay \$20 if you wish to receive a printed newsletter.

**See page 7 for
Boat Renewal Information**

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



I'm back! And looking forward to a year of work and adjustments as we enter our 40th year as Singles on Sailboats. I am pleased to be joined by Board members Joan Tannen as Vice Commodore, Cathy Laws as Secretary, and Gretchen Young continuing as Treasurer. Along with Teresa Scofield, Brian Guptil, Sandy Roswork, Alan Osterholm, and Jon Halpern we form your Board for 2018. Reach out to any of us with any ideas or suggestions you may have.

We also welcome, and say farewell to some committee chairs, as we are joined by Donna Kachura as Membership Chair who will receive continuing support from former co-chairs Linda Casucci and Ellie Kallins; Jeannie Bessmer will join us as Public Relations Chair, an open position that has been graciously continued by board member Alan Osterholm; Cruising will be chaired by Laura Gwinn (who is stepping off the board and into the sailing schedule) with the support of her predecessor Carole Jordan as she continues some of the ideas initiated by Carole and her former co-chair Meeps Yox. The board has also asked, and they have accepted, so we welcome Skippers Advisory co-chairs John Rogers and Doug Townsend who will also receive support from their predecessor Mike Swift. Our continuing chairs Kathy Haven will be developing her team for Bareboat Cruising plans; Suzanne Vaughn has an interesting Brunch season planned; John McDonald, our computer wiz who is a whiz with words continues as Database; and speaking of words, Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky continues to work with her team to give us the wonderful Whisker Pole each month. A big thanks to Pam Ledford who has organized

great social events for the past two years; we welcome Mary Ellen Murphy as our new Social Chair and am sure she brings new ideas for future events. We also have Beth Dumesco continuing as Safety and she will be working with skippers to activate boats for the next season; and with a fabulous First Mates program, Ned Schwartz is continuing to provide us with competent FMs for our sailing pleasure and safety. In fact, in November, we congratulate a new First Mate, Kathy Higdon!

You may notice I have not listed a committee chair for Education. With much gratitude, we say farewell to Emil Becker after his years of doing so much for Education. At this time, Lorraine Fassett has taken on the job of lining up hosts, coordinators and speakers for Fireside Chats through this winter season so we have opportunities to gather at members' homes. As for the rest of the Education events, we are creatively developing different approaches which we hope, with your help and support, will fill some of those gaps.

This issue of the Whisker Pole will be published at almost the same time as the Snow Ball Gala and Awards Dinner on December 2 – I hope you were able to attend to hear the “kudos” for the four annual traditional award recipients as well as the “kiddos” for the Jibe-Ho awards. We will also have celebrated Thanksgiving with the pre-day Regional Thanksgiving gatherings as well as SOS gatherings on Thanksgiving Day – a chance to share warmth, camaraderie, and of course sea stories, with our many friends.

As we journey through the holiday season, I wish you all many memories and moments to enjoy and cherish. See you “Next Year”!

Janet

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Unofficial notes November 2, 2017 Board Meeting

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

Commodore: Focus of meeting was Board transition and election of new officers.

Vice Commodore: No report.

Treasurer: No report.

Bareboat: The February 2018 BVI trip has openings for one or two more crew. The Lake Champlain Cruise has 5 skippers and 17 crew registered and expect more. An information meeting will be held immediately after the November Brunch.

Brunches: The December Brunch speaker is Pierre Henkart, Ambassador from *The Pride of Baltimore II*. The January 21 speaker TBD. February 18 is designated for Regional Brunches. March 12 Brunch is the Photo Retrospective, the day after Spring Training. There will be no April Brunch.

Cruising: No report.

Database: No report.

Education: No report.

First Mates: Two of our Candidates are actively working on their evaluations, one of which should be completed this year. Working with Safety this winter to update the Check Out Skipper list for First Mate Evaluation.

Membership: No report.

Newsletter: The November 20-page Whisker Pole mailed to 304 members and 33 Happy Hour coordinators and were printed at a cost of \$ 1,037 which equates to \$3.08 per copy.

Public Relations: No chair. No Report.

Safety: No Report

Skippers' Advisory: I would like to commend the members of the Committee for excellent work and service to the club this past year. The committee members are George Hollendursky, Bill Small, and Dave Henkin.

Social: Planning for The Snow Ball Gala Awards dinner is underway with Irene Aronian and Hope Andruss coordinating this event.

NEXT SOS BOD MEETING - December 7th - 7:00 pm
Meeting is open to all members

Popular Fireside Chats Return!

Fireside Chats provide an opportunity during the non-sailing months to gather in a home to enjoy good food, libations, great company and hear a short educational presentation by an excellent speaker. For a \$20 fee Happy Hour and dinner is provided. Groups are small (15-25 usually) so you have the opportunity to get to know people you may not have met during the sailing season.

The first two Fireside Chats of the season will be held on January 20th. One will be at the Annapolis home of Lorraine Fassett (always a gracious hostess). Skipper Emil Becker and Crew Member Barbara Wise will have a short presentation about the recent bareboat trip to Croatia. One of them sailed north and one south, so each will have a different perspective to share. The second will be in Rockville at the home of Jon Bernheimer who graciously opens his home every year. The speaker will be Jon (yes, he is doing double duty that evening) and the topic will be "Ask the Skipper". Jon will speak briefly about being an SOS skipper and then open the floor to any questions you may have.




There will be more Fireside Chats around the region in February and March, so watch future Whisker Poles for details.

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.**



December 2 Saturday Snowball Gala - Awards Night

Location: Elks Club,
Annapolis, MD **Cost:** \$60
\$70 – After deadline and walk-ins.

Master of Ceremonies: Gretchen Young & John McDonald **Times:** 5:30 pm Social – Cash Bar
Band: “Just Friends” **(Update)** 6:00 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Awards
8:00 pm Music & Dancing

Deadline: Mail: November 24 (postmark) **Note:** Dress Code: Cocktail Party or Black Tie Optional
Online: November 28

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




December 3 Sunday Brunch

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

Speaker/Topic: Captain Pierre Henkart **Time:** 11:00 am Social Hour
Pride of Baltimore II, America’s
Star Spangled Ambassador 12:00 noon Brunch
1:00 pm Program

Deadline: Mail: November 24 (postmark) **Note:** LIGHT HOUSE HOMELESS SHELTER is
Online: November 28 taking donations for the Holidays. A basket
will be at the registration desk for donations.


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



December 7 Thursday Board Meeting

Location: Commons Room
Greenbrier Community Building
7600 Hanover Parkway
Greenbelt, MD 20770 **Time:** 7:00 to 10:00pm
Doors open 6:45pm

Notes: Open to all Members



December 9 Saturday Parade of Lights Viewing

Location: Annapolis Waterfront Hotel by
Marriott, Annapolis, MD **Cost:** \$35 Plus bring an appetizer or desert

Coordinator and Hostess: Sandy Rosswork **Time:** 5:00pm
sgrosswork@aol.com **Note:** Contact the coordinator directly.
- **Space limit of 25**



December 25 Thursday Christmas Day Dinner - Burtonsville
Location: Home of Henrietta Hyatt-Knorr, Burtonsville, MD
Cost: Food contribution and small donation
Deadline: December 18
Note: This is NOT an on-line coordination. Coordination is thru Debbie directly via email.
Coordinator: Debbie Goldberg Hidebbieg@yahoo.com



December 25 Thursday Christmas Day Dinner - Edgewater
Location: Home of Barbara Mistrik, Edgewater, MD
Cost: Food contribution and small donation
Deadline: December 18
Note: This is NOT an on-line coordination. Coordination is thru Barbara directly via email.
Coordinator: Host Barbara Mistrik Bmistrik@covad.net



January (TBD) Thursday Board Meeting
Location: (TBD pending contract signing)
Time: 7:00 to 10:00pm
 Doors open 6:45pm; open to all members



January 20 Saturday Annapolis Region Fireside Chat
Location: Annapolis, MD
Cost: \$20
Speaker/Topic: Emil Becker & Barbara Wise/
 The Ups & Downs (N/S) of Sailing
 in Croatia
Host: Lorraine Fassett
Time: 5:00 pm
Deadline: Mail: January 13 (postmark)
 Online: January 16
Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.
Limited to 24.
Coordinator: Bev Nash, beverlynash@verizon.net
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



January 20 Saturday Montgomery County Region Fireside Chat
Location: Rockville, MD
Cost: \$20
Speaker/Topic: Jon Bernheimer/
 Ask the Skipper
Host: Jon Bernheimer
Time: 5:00 pm
Deadline: Mail: January 13 (postmark)
 Online: January 16
Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.
Limited to 25.
Coordinator: Debra Roane msdebrar@verizon.net
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



January 21 Sunday Brunch
Location: DoubleTree Hotel, Annapolis, MD
Cost: \$31 - Brunch
 \$33 – After deadline and walk-ins.
Speaker/Topic: TBA
Time: 11:00 am Social Hour
 12:00 noon Brunch
 1:00 pm Program
Deadline: Mail: January 12 (postmark)
 Online: January 16
Note: .
Coordinator: Jan Warfield J8warfield@gmail.com
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



February (TBD) Thursday

Board Meeting

Location: (TBD pending contract signing)

Time: 7:00 to 10:00pm
Doors open 6:45pm

Notes: Open to all Members



February 17 Saturday

Montgomery County/DC Region Fireside Chat

Location: Bethesda, MD

Cost: \$20

Speaker/Topic: Dennis Krizek/ Two Truths and a Lie, Nautical Nuggets: Fun Facts and Curiosities (Warning: Audience Participation Required)

Host Time: Bruce Beckert & Vicky Wood
5:30 pm

Deadline: Mail: February 10 (postmark)
Online: February 13

Note: Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.
Limited to 30.

Coordinator: Bruce Beckert, brubeck9@gmail.com

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



February 18 Sunday

Regional Brunches

Location: Held in private homes of SOS members. List of hosts will be published in January. Then members contact host 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 12

Note: No online sign-up for this event. Please RSVP directly to the host.

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



February 2018

BVI Bareboat Trip

Destination: British Virgin Islands

Note: As of September 27, 2017, Coordinator Doug Gage reports, "Our February SOS Bareboat Cruise to the BVI is still on"! The BVI was hit hard by Irma, but luckily Maria didn't make matters much worse. Sunsail/Moorings is working hard to be ready for the upcoming charter season, and we will be checking on their progress every couple of weeks.

Coordinator: Doug Gage douggage@gmail.com



August 2018 Sunday to Sunday

Lake Champlain Bareboat Trip

Destination: Leaving out of Plattsburgh, NY

Cost: About \$900 total (inclusive)

7 day: August 19 - 26, 2018
Boarding Sunday 6:00pm
Returning Sunday 3:00pm

Note: Accepting applications for Wait List.
Contact Coordinator for details.

Coordinator: Mike Sommer msommer414@gmail.com

DIRECTIONS

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.

Annapolis Elks Club: Annapolis Elks Lodge, 2 Pythian Dr., Edgewater, MD 21037.

From Washington, D.C.: Take Route 50 E to Exit 22, Rt. Md-665 E/Aris T Allen Blvd. Go about 2 miles and take Rt. MD-2/Solomons Island Rd exit toward Parole/Edgewater. Keep left at the fork in the ramp. Stay straight, crossing Rt 2 onto Pythian Dr. Follow Pythian around to the left. You can also enter at Wilelinor Dr. and turn immediate left onto Grand Oak, which becomes Pythian.

From West St., Annapolis: Take Solomons Island Rd (Rt.2) south past Annapolis Harbour Center. Cross Rt. 665, and turn left at stop light onto Pythian Dr. Follow Pythian around to the left. You can also enter at Wilelinor Dr. and turn immediate left onto Grand Oak, which becomes Pythian

Skippers – Boat Renewal Time!

Beth Dumesco, Safety Chair

Every year, SOS members “reup” their membership, starting the first of November and ending December 31. For skippers, the process is just a bit longer, as we need to check information on your boats.

On the renewal form there is a section that reads: **ALL equipment is required so make sure you click all and have all on your vessel.**

Required Equipment for Sailing With SOS:

PFDs
First Aid Kit
Flares
Horn
Engine
Compass
VHF Radio
Bilge Pump
Fire Extinguishers
Throwable Life Ring or Sling
Through Hull Plugs
Enclosed head/approved MSD



Required Equipment for SOS Overnight Cruises:

Bow and Stern Lines
Spring Lines (Min 2)
Fenders (Min 2 Large)
Running Lights
Steaming Lights
Anchor Light
Refrigeration/ice
Cooking - stove/oven



So, check this list when you renew your membership.

The Safety Committee will get a spreadsheet at the end of November, December and January, and we will process the approvals for boats as quickly as we can. Please don't wait until the sailing season starts in April of 2018 to get your boat renewal in.

You cannot be included in cruise coordination or join an SOS raft up if you are not on the approved list.

Requests for “rush jobs” will be viewed with proper skepticism. Ahem.

Cruising Corner

Laura Gwinn & Noreen McGuire, Cruising Chairs

What an exciting sailing season we had in 2017! A big thanks to outgoing Cruising Chairs **Carole Jordan** and **Meeps Yox**. The dynamite cruising schedule they put together generated a degree of participation that well exceeded the previous year. Take a look at this:

- 48 boats on the water with 169 crew for day sails.
- 200 boats on the water with 524 crew for weekend sails.
- The mini-extendeds had 16 boats for Memorial Day to Solomon's Island, 10 boats on Labor Day to Havre de Grace (in some wet and challenging weather), and 7 boats to St. Michaels for Oyster Fest.
- 8 raft captains built 15 rafts (3 cruises cancelled due to weather)
- 5 skippers sailed on 7 weekends, 4 skippers on 8 weekends, 2 boats on 9 weekends (combined skippers), and Ron Pence who sailed 11 weekends, carrying 32 crew in all. For day sails, there were 5 skippers who took crew for a total of 3 days, and 3 skippers who took crew for a total of 4 day sails. And we had 4 FMs who each sailed as FMs for 4 sails.

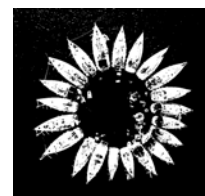
It takes a lot of behind-the-scenes work to make this happen: **Lynn Gilley**, coordinator liaison; **Kathy Haven** whose blasts inspired us all; **John McDonald**, data base chair, who kept it running smoothly; **Jill Montgomery**, **Ned Schwartz**, and **Judy Crews-Hanks** who generate the as-sailed lists; **George Hollendursky** who trains and coordinates Raft Captains; and **Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky** who sends out the Survey Monkeys after each cruise. There were 31 coordinators (some more than once). And, of course, our coordinator extraordinaire **Barbara Wingrove**, who heads up the mid-week program and coordinated 7 sails.

By the time you read this, next year's planning will be well under way. Noreen McGuire and I, with the able tutelage of Carole and Meeps, hope to bring you another exciting and smoothly run 2018 cruising season. We would love for you to participate: attend a coordination, sail your boat, and sign up for sailing!



Wanna Be a Raft Captain??? – SOS needs a few more!

George Hollendursky will conduct one-on-one training for anyone who would like to become a Raft Captain for 2018. He will assign you an experienced Raft Captain to be by your side when you build that first raft and perhaps second raft. For more information or to volunteer, contact George at hollendu@verizon.net



Exciting Brunch Speakers Coming Up!

December 3rd Brunch

Pride of Baltimore II is referred to as America's Star-Spangled Ambassador. **Pierre Henkart** claims it's always fun talking about Baltimore Clippers, which were the fastest ships on the seas 200 years ago and were highly successful privateers in the War of 1812! Since 2005 he has sailed the *Pride of Baltimore II* as a guest crew and over the years has sailed on various legs between Norfolk and Nova Scotia and the Great Lakes.



Thousands of people welcomed *Pride II* as she sailed from Norfolk, Virginia to Lunenburg, Nova Scotia and through the Great Lakes to participate in the Tall Ships Challenge. She has sailed for four decades and recently celebrated her 40th Anniversary. Since her commissioning she has sailed over 250,000 nautical miles and visited more than 200 ports and 40 countries in North, South, and Central America, Europe and Asia. *Pride II's* professional crew shares the story of Baltimore and the rich maritime history of the Chesapeake Bay. *Pride of Baltimore II* is part of Maryland Fleet Week, the Air Show of Baltimore and the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race.

Pride of Baltimore was the first Baltimore Clipper ship to be built in 150 years and the first to represent Baltimore and the State. After the tragic sinking of the original *Pride of Baltimore* off the coast of Puerto Rico, overwhelming support replaced her with *Pride of Baltimore II*, as a memorial to *Pride*.

January 21st Brunch Save the Date! The Brunch chair has made contact with several interesting speakers and is firming up details to determine who will do the presentation. More details will be available in the January newsletter.

February 18th Regional Brunches. The always popular Regional brunches return! Response to these regional events has always been high as it gives those who are traveling during the winter an opportunity to gather with other SOS members. Last year 100+ members attended brunches at eight locations in three states!

If you would like to host a brunch in your home, please contact Suzanne Vaughn at suzyvaughn@aol.com. Hosts/Hostesses provide the home and collect \$10 cash per person to defray the costs of paper products, champagne, etc. Those attending will be asked to bring a dish to contribute to the party. Whether you can accommodate 5, 10 or 25, please consider volunteering. Details about locations will be published in the January Whisker Pole.

Photos from Blue Lips Cruise



**Mary Ellen Murphy &
Robyn Turiff**

Photo submitted by Robyn Turiff



**Merrilee Zellner &
Richard Green**

Photo by Robyn Turiff



Thomas Point Lighthouse

Photo by Robyn Turiff

Oyster Fest 4-Day Cruise to St. Michaels



Happy Hour on *Valkyrie*
Photo by Sandy Rosswork



**Kathy Higdon, Susan Veccia,
Carole Jordan**
Photo by George Hollendursky



Happy Hour on *Valkyrie*
Photo by Linda Casucci

Blue Lips Cruise Closes the Sailing Season



Ray Harris
by Alan Cecil



Boats at Anchor
by Alan Cecil



**Noreen McGuire, Robyn Turriff,
Cathy Laws** *Photo by Bob Wright*



**Susan Lewis &
Don Henfling**
by Bob Wright



**Cathy Laws, Jody Hutchinson, Emil
Becker, Mary Chevalier** *Photo by Bob Wright*



Mary Chevalier
by Bob Wright

Cruising Committee Appreciation Dinner



Ron Pence recognized by **Carole Jordan** as Skipper sailing the most weekends in 2017
Photo by John Parsons



Outgoing Cruising Co-Chairs
Carole Jordan & Meeps Yox
Photo by John Parsons



Laura Gwinn, 2018 Cruising Chair
Photo by John Parsons

First Brunch of the Season



Brunch speaker
Charles Kithcart,
African Diaspora Maritime.
Photo by John Parsons



Donna Kachura & Gene Jacobs
Photo by John Parsons



Pete Stogis, Joan Stogis, Sandy Rosswork
Photo by John Parsons



New Member **Amy Estrain**
Photo by John Parsons



Former Vice Commodore **Laura Gwinn** presents burgee to new Vice Commodore **Joan Tannen**
Photo by John Parsons



2017 Board Members and Committee Chairs
Photo by John Parsons

Pre-Thanksgiving Dinners



Dinner hosted in Annapolis, MD by **Meeps Yox**
Photo by Linda Nahin



Dinner hosted in McLean, VA by **Jim Wray**
Photo by Dan Allen



Carole Jordan & Meeps Yox
Photo by John Parsons



Cynthia Palmer
Photo by John Parsons



Nancy Briggs
Photo by John Parsons



Carole Holmes, Linda Casucci, Bev Nash
Photo by John Parsons

Scuttlebutt:

A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip.



Send news to Jody Hutchinson mjodyh@yahoo.com

On a lovely Sunday, **Carol Lowery, Geri Walker, Sue Donaldson, Gil Eaton and Lynn Winkler** visited **Brian Guptil** on his boat. They brought good food, wine, Pain Killers, balloons, left overs and lots of good cheer.



Yes, he looked a little battered, but was ready for this rowdy crowd. Learned something new from Brian. If you eat half a cake without cutting it, you've only eating one slice.

Welcome New Members

Kare Crissey - Easton MD

Linda Eggbeer - Arnold MD

Tony Ricci - Lothian MD

New Photo Editor!

Bob Wright has volunteered to organize photo pages for the newsletter, so please send photos to him at Bob.Wright1@aecom.com

Kidde Recalls Fire Extinguishers

Kidde has recalled more than 40 million fire extinguishers used in homes, vehicles, **and boats** because they can become clogged or fail to discharge during a fire.

The company has received one report of a related death in 2014, when a fire extinguisher failed to work during a car fire. There have been 16 injuries, 91 reports of property damage, and 391 reports of the extinguishers either not working at all or not working properly.

The fire extinguishers were sold under dozens of different brand names, all listed on the Consumer Product Safety Commission recall notice. The recalled fire extinguishers came in red, silver, and white and were sold nationwide for \$12 to \$200 at department stores, hardware stores, and home improvement stores, as well as at online retailers, including Amazon and ShopKidde.



What to Do: Kidde is offering free replacements to anyone who owns one or more of the recalled units. “Consumers with a recalled fire extinguisher should contact Kidde right away,” Wallace says. To claim a replacement, check the brand name and model number of your fire extinguisher against the CPSC recall notice. The model numbers are printed on the body of the fire extinguisher (see photos above and below). You can call Kidde at 855-271-0773 or visit the [Kidde website](#), where you can fill out a form to get a new unit.

Kidde says it will ship the replacement within 10 to 15 days of getting your information. No receipt is required. The company is asking consumers to keep their current model until they get the new one. It will arrive with instructions on how to return the old one.

Mary H.J. Farrell
November 02, 2017
Consumer Reports



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: December 6th 5 pm

MYLOS GRILL (in the bar area) mylosgrill.com. Held on the first Wed of each month. 8238 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, Va in the McLean/Chesterbrook shopping center. Free parking, great food!

Contact: **TRISH Remele:** trishrem1@gmail.com

1st Thursday

ELLICOTT CITY, MD: December 7th 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

Contact: **JILL-jill.montgom@gmail.com**

1st Thursday

SO NJ & PHILA: December 7th 5:30 PM

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

Contact : **LORA - doniala@aol.com**

1st Thursday

SE PA: December 7th at 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 !

Contact: **PATTI - pattievans@aol.com**

1st Thursday

SOUTH-CENTRAL PA: December 7th 6:30 - 9

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

Contact : **BOB - sasrjorrow@aol.com**

2nd Thursday

NORTH BALTIMORE: December 14th 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: December 20th 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 - Geriwalker12@gmail.com**

3rd Thursday

ROCKVILLE, MD: December 21st 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 703-405-2250**

3rd Thursday

KENT ISLAND: December 21st 4:30 - 7pm

FISHERMAN'S INN, 3116 Main Street, Grasonville- (410) 827-6666

Contact: **MARILYN Goodson - msgoods7@aol.com**

3rd Thursday

SE PA: December 21st 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, with large bar area and super low long HH prices Meet a great group of sailing people!

Contact: **PATTI - pattievans@aol.com**

4th Thursday

ANNAPOLIS, MD: December 28th 5-7 pm

and later at **THE PIER** (prev. 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. If we are not in the bar area, we'd probably be on the lower deck outside.

Contact: **RON - repence@msn.com**

e-mail

Happy Hour PICTURES

TO: sailhither@hotmail.com

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Pat Randall, Classified Page Editor

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Classic Sabre 32 for sale: *Water Music*, a very well maintained and loved Sabre 32 cruiser/racer. 1986 Hull #65. Sleeps 5-6. Keel centerboard, 21hp Westerbeke diesel engine. Outfitted with 3 yr. old Frigoboat keel-cooled refrigeration w/freezer, 25-pound Manson Supreme anchor on anchor roller, new chart plotter, 2-burner stove with oven (CNG), head w/25 gal holding tank, carries 63 gal. of water, dripless stuffing box, battery charger, DSC-capable VHF radio & RAM, stereo, bilge pump counter and new bilge pump. Main, 135% genoa, whisker pole, spinnaker halyard. Dodger and bimini w/covers, connector, two Oceanair hatch screens/shades, custom cockpit screens. Sails like a dream. Full winter cover. Upcoming winter storage included. (Has been hauled every winter.) For more details email johnfparsons_9@msn.com or nancybparsons@hotmail.com.

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BOAT EQUIPMENT & MISC

For Sale: Achilles inflatable dingy, 8'-4", with floor boards with Cruise 'N Carry engine. Best reasonable offer. Call Frank: 410-279-2451

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BOAT SLIPS

Sailboat slip 30+ foot available for rent. Prime position on Back Creek, Annapolis. Phone Brian Hanks.

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**SOS Bank Accounts –
October 31**

Bareboat Escrow	\$	52,129
Checking	\$	26,547
Savings	\$	73,309
Credit Card	\$ (1,370)
End of month total	\$	98,485

**WATCH THE LIGHTS PARADE IN
COMFORT – Sat, Dec 9th, 6:00 pm**

Watch the 40+ boats of the Lights Parade burst into light on Saturday, December 9, at 6:00 PM. Enjoy the parade in warmth and comfort from a waterfront room at the Annapolis (Marriott) Waterfront Hotel. See this show of splendid color and twinkling lights with each boat decorated in a Christmas theme. Avoid the cold and wintry night and join your friends at the Annapolis (Marriott) Waterfront Hotel to watch the Parade.

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

Cost for this event will be \$35.00 per person. Send your check made out to SOS, to Sandy Rosswork. Beer, wine, sodas and sandwiches will be provided.

Participants are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert. Email Sandy Rosswork for more information and to sign up and indicate what you will bring. Don't wait too long....attendance must be limited due to the size of the room!! Email: sgrosswork@aol.com].

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

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



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December Activities

Dec 2 – Snowball Awards Dinner



Dec 3 – Brunch (Topic: Pride of Baltimore)