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TOWN HALL MEETING

Harry Keith, Vice Commodore

Hear Ye, Hear Ye . . . you are all beckoned to the Annual SOS Town Meeting to bring our SOS democracy together once again. This will happen on **August the 3rd** at the **Galesville Memorial Hall**, 952 Main Street (between the Post Office & the Fire House!), Galesville, MD.

Introduction of the nominees for the Board of Directors will be our top priority. You will hear each of their "stump" speeches as they rally to garner your votes. There are no proposed changes to the bylaws this year, and there will be no committee reports, which will allow more time for eating, drinking, socializing and camaraderie.

The price is right...there may be no such thing as a free lunch, but once a year there is a free dinner, and this is it. Non member guests are \$25.

Schedule of Events

5:00-6:00 **Happy Hour**

6:00-7:30 **Supper**

7:30-8:45 **Town Meeting - BOD Nominee introductions & brief speeches**

8:45-9:00 **Clean-up and Close-Up**

Please consider volunteering to help set up, contact Bob Wright at soscruising@yahoo.com.

Register online, or contact Peggy Green at 703-323-9131 or mbradpete@gmail.com by July 24 for an accurate head count.

No reservation = no nametag = no food.

Please no walk-ins.

See driving directions page 14.

IT'S AN OLE FASHIONED

CRAB FEAST...

...DOWN BY THE

WATERFRONT!!!

Robyn Stewart, Event Manager

Sail on over, or drive in, to the **Sailing Emporium** in Rock Hall and join us for the annual SOS Crab Feast on Saturday, **August 17!**

Arrive early and take a refreshing dip in the swimming pool or explore the town. Then gather in front of the barn for **crabs, crabs and more crabs**. Fried chicken, succulent boiled shrimp, corn on the cob and other sides galore are also on the menu.

Happy Hour will start at **5:30 PM**, followed by **dinner** at **6:30 PM** and then **dancing** to the tunes of Composure, one of our favorite bands. See Fleet Exercises for sign-up details.



VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



Party Time - As I write we are just days away from the Anniversary Cruise and Party, the sheer number of volunteers involved in this undertaking is amazing. Happy Hour begins at 5 o'clock, but the first volunteers are actually on site at noon, and of course the coordination and all related tasks start much before all this.

These dedicated volunteers make it possible for all of us to enjoy an exceptional function. My sincere thanks to event coordinators Shirley and Jean, and cruise coordinators Molly and Ned. Your energy, imagination and ability to manage no matter the challenge are awesome. I thank you, your teams, the skippers, crew and participants. You and the SOS village make it happen. Attendance numbers are breaking records. Wow!

If you contributed your help to this event or not, the one thing you can do today, or as soon as you are with other SOS mates, is thank someone that did help.

In this tenor of thanks and appreciation I introduce a new program to you as well: H.U.G.S. - Help US Grow Spirit. The concept is to hug a member by taking the time to show appreciation for the member in some prominent way. The first step taken was at the awards banquet this year. In addition to the awards and plaques presented, the first SOS Star was given recognizing Charlotte O'Connor for her ongoing service related to awards, year after year for the past fifteen years. In this issue of the Whisker Pole a new column has been written as a part of this program. Look for SPOTLIGHT the first H.U.G.S. column. This one has been written regarding an SOS member that has provided a special service to the club for more than five years. See page 9 to read about this creative person who helps keep the SOS juices flowing. Going forward it is our intention to spotlight one of our many special members regularly in this column. If you want to recommend someone to be recognized, contact Nancie Park nanciepark@gmail.com or myself. Or if you have an idea for another H.U.G.S. initiative let's hear it.

Our great new nominating committee is in place - Barbara Wise, Douglas Gage and Irene Aronian. Election procedures were outlined in last month's Whisker Pole and you will see more from the nominating committee on page 11. Volunteer to serve on the Board or make a recommendation regarding a fellow member. Come to the Town Hall meeting on August 3rd have dinner and meet the nominees. Though it is free to members you need to make a reservation.

Make a difference, take one more person on your boat, sign up for one more event, help with an upcoming event, be a host or coordinator. Be an active SOS member and the Force will be with you!

Sandy Huberfeld, Commodore

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SUBMISSION DEADLINES

10th Fleet Exercises & Shore Leave
15th articles/photos/classified/HH

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MEMBERSHIP MAILBOX

See us on the web at

www.SinglesonSailboats.org

- To join or change/correct membership information, use the above web site.

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Unofficial notes from June 16, 2013 Board Meeting

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

Treasurer Report: Finances are pretty much status quo for 2012 vs. 2013. Have received five phone calls on the SOS phone since the phone number was re-published on the website about a month ago.

Bareboat Committee: Italy trip is full with a wait list. Final payments due July 1. After cruise party was held for Antigua trip and refunds have been issued. French Barge trip has 118 people signed up with wait list. Signup is underway for BVI cruise with 30 already signed up.

Brunches: No report

Communications: No report.

Cruising: No report

Database: Registration forms continue to have formatting problems despite numerous attempts to correct. Extremely difficult to make corrections when registration is underway. Membership lists are being made available to Education for New Member BBQ Chats and Dockside Training. Twelve new members have joined since May, all non-skippers.

Education: Have made request to Anne Arundel Community College to hold Spring Training next year on March 15; will find out in November if approved. July 14 is the first meeting of committee to revise Basic Skills. August 10 will be second Dockside Training day. Meeting soon with Chesapeake Sailing School to reinstate the "Just in Time" sailing program. Four New Member BBQ Chats have been scheduled.

First Mates: Fourteen First Mates and six skippers participated in the First Mates Sail with drills being developed by Louie Burke.

Membership: No report.

Newsletter: Scanning has been completed of 63 past issues of the *Whisker Pole* and they are now on the SOS website. The June newsletter was posted on public side of SOS website. Recommend we select High Star Copy Services as our new printer as a cost saving measure.

Safety: No report

Skippers Advisory: Meeting between Skippers Advisory & Cruising concluded that a program needs to be developed to solicit more skippers to participate in Day Sails; continue to explore the development of an Insta-Sail Program; contact the Annapolis Sailing Club Meet-up group to determine how they run their program;

Social: The DNR Party went well and stayed within budget. The Anniversary Party is anticipated to stay within budget. Need an Event Manger for the Awards Banquet. Confirmed that Sailing Emporium does have a liquor license that covers our event.

Other Business: Doug Gage, Barbara Wise, and Irene Aronian approved to serve on the Nominations Committee. Working on new job description for Membership Committee. Working on policy concerning party refunds when skipper cancels. Discussion about allowing married people to join club in effort to recruit more skippers.

Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

If signing up by mail, plan to mail your check early to the event coordinator. 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 waiver.**

Send event information to Fleet Exercises Editor,

Peggy Green at mbradpete@gmail.com by the 10th of each month.

Note: 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



July 10	Wednesday	Mid-Week Day Sail
Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
Deadline:	Mail: June 29 (postmark) Online: July 3 (9 pm)	Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must send a separate registration form/waiver with a check.
Coordinator:	Walt Flowers wflowers1218@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	



July 13 & 14	Saturday and/or Sunday	Day Sails
Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
Deadline:	Mail: July 3 (postmark) Online: July 7 (9 pm)	Notes: Register for each day separately. Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
Coordinator:	Eric Smaridge esmaridge@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	










July 20 - 21	Saturday - Sunday	Mid-Summer Cruise
Destination:	Rhode River	Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member
Deadline:	Mail: July 3 (postmark) Online: July 9	Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
Coordinator:	Samia AbdelWahed samia.wahed@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	








July 26	Friday	Northern Virginia Area New Member BBQ Chat
Location:	McLean, VA	Cost: \$15/Member \$20/Non-member
Speaker/Topic:	Various members answering new member questions. Brief training segment.	Host: Irene Aronian
Deadline:	July 19	Time: 5:30 p.m.
Coordinator:	Notes: Non-members must be accompanied by a member. No smoking, no walk-ins. Limited to 20. Susan Jenkins jenkins.susan@comcast.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	



July 27	Saturday	Maryland Area New Member Area BBQ Chat
Location:	Annapolis, MD	Cost: \$15/Member \$20/Non-Member
Speaker/Topic:	Various members answering new member questions. Brief training segment.	Host: Lorraine Fassett
Deadline:	July 22	Time: 5:30 p.m.
Coordinator:	Notes: Non-members must be accompanied by a member. No smoking, no walk-ins. Limited to 25. Ellie Kallins Please sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	

	July 31	Wednesday	Mid-Week Day Sail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: July 20 (postmark) Online: July 24 (9 pm)	Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Robyn Day LRD24@georgetown.edu or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	August 3	Saturday	Town Hall Meeting
	Destination:	Galesville Town Hall	Cost: Meeting/Dinner: Free for members Non-member: \$25.00
	Deadline:	Online: July 24	Notes: 5:00 Happy Hour 6:00 Dinner 7:30 – 9:00 Meeting
	Coordinator:	Peggy Green mbradpete@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	August 4	Sunday	Day Sail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: July 24 (postmark) Online: July 28 (9 pm)	Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Jon Halpern jonathandhalpern@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	August 10	Saturday	Dockside Training
	Destination:	Various Skippers' Boats	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: July 31 (postmark) Online: Aug 4 (9 pm)	Time: 10:00 am – all day
	Coordinator:	Anne Bastian ab1046@verizon.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	August 11	Sunday	Day Sail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: July 31 (postmark) Online: Aug 4 (9 pm)	Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Mary Ann Bleeke mableeke@verizon.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	August 14	Wednesday	Midweek Evening Sunset Sail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: Aug 3 (postmark) Online: Aug 7 (9 pm)	Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Walt Flowers wflowers1218@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	Aug 17-18	Saturday – Sunday	Seafood Feast
	Destination:	Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall	Cost: \$79 - Cruise & Party \$45 - Party Only Party - \$50 after Deadline
	Deadline:	Cruise & Party: Mail: July 31 Online: Aug 6 Party ONLY: Mail: Aug 9 Online: Aug 13	Notes: 5:30 Happy Hour 6:30 Dinner Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Kathy Haven mskathha@gmail.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org	

	<p>August 23 Location: Blue Bell, PA Speaker/Topic: Various members answering new member questions. Brief training segment. Deadline: August 16 Coordinator: Sid Bergman sidber7@yahoo.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org</p>	<p>Friday Pennsylvania Area New Member Area BBQ Chat Cost: \$15/Member \$20/Non-Member Host: Shari Rex Time: 6:00 p.m. Notes: Non-members must be accompanied by a member. No smoking, no walk-ins. Limited to 30.</p>
	<p>Aug 24 & 25 Destination: Skipper's Choice Deadline: Mail: Aug 14 (postmark) Online: Aug 18 (9 pm) Coordinator: Barbara Peterson barbinak@yahoo.com or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org</p>	<p>Saturday and/or Sunday Day Sails Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member Notes: Register for each day separately. Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.</p>
	<p>Aug 31–Sept 2 Destination: N: Rock Ck, Patapsco River S: LaTrappe Ck, Choptank R Day 2: Skipper's Choice Deadline: Mail: Aug 14 (postmark) Online: Aug 20 Coordinator: Meeps Yox mpsyx@earthlink.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org</p>	<p>Saturday – Monday Labor Day Weekend Sail (2 or 3 days) Cost: Member or Non-member: \$34 (2 days) \$51 (3 days). Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.</p>
	<p>Sept 7 & 8 Destination: Skipper's Choice Deadline: Mail: Aug 28 (postmark) Online: Sept 1 (9 pm) Coordinator: Kay Farley kfarley@ncsc.org Please sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org</p>	<p>Saturday and/or Sunday Day Sails Cost: \$17 - Member or Non-member Notes: Register for each day separately. Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.</p>
	<p>Sept 14 - 15 Destination: Wye River Deadline: Mail: Aug 29 (postmark) Online: Sept 3 Coordinator: Debra Roane MsDebraR@verizon.net or sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org</p>	<p>Saturday - Sunday Appetizer & Dessert Cruise Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member Notes: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.</p>

QUOTABLE

What bliss to be in the cockpit with the sun and the warm breeze on one's skin, just watching the sea and the sky, and the sails...

--Sir Francis Chichester



Judy Barral, Bob Meadows, Jeff Talarico, & Gene Jacob



Circus (Bob Meadows) showing her clean bottom

Memorial Day Cruise



Samia's first beer



Mike Pittinger giving dinghy driving lessons



George Hollendursky



Jody Drayton and Ian Sanderson



Lorraine Fassett, Barbara Wise, Hope Andruss

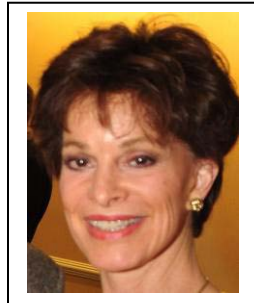
Photographs contributed by Samia Abdel-Wahed and Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky

Your SOS Volunteers

Most photo pages show members who attend SOS events. This section highlights your SOS committee chairs. It is only a sampling and does not reflect the efforts of all those who contribute to the Club's success.



Bareboat Cruising
Sandra Roswork



Brunches
Robyn Day



Communications
Alex Doyle



Cruising
Bob Wright



Database
Teresa Scofield



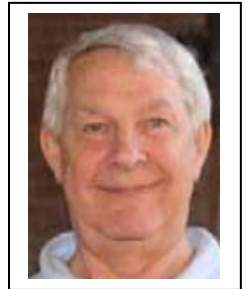
Education
Debra Roane and Linda Casucci



First Mate Advisory
Cherie Comly



Membership
OPEN



Safety
Richard Green



Newsletter
Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky and
Nancy Beers Parsons



Skipper's Advisory
Laura Gwinn



Social
Robyn Stewart

"Face" photos from the Photo Editor files.

ADDITIONAL BBQ CHATS FOR NEW MEMBERS



There was so much excitement about BBQ Chats for new members that we added some more! If you missed the opportunity to attend one of the BBQ Chats on Friday, June 28...Fear not!! ...Choose one of these.

Meet other new members.
Ask questions.
Learn more about SOS.

Friday, July 26

Location: McLean, VA
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Deadline: July 19, 2013
Host: Irene Aronian
Coordinator: Susan Jenkins
jenkins.susan@comcast.net

Saturday, July 27

Location: Annapolis, MD
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Deadline: July 22, 2013
Host: Lorraine Fassett
Coordinator: Ellie Kallins

Friday, August 23

Location: Blue Bell, PA
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Deadline: August 16, 2013
Host: Shari Rex
Coordinator: Sid Bergman
sidber7@yahoo.com

Additional Coordinator contact information appears in the Event Calendar. New members will have registration priority.

CHANGES FOR INCREASED SECURITY

You may have noticed a change in the last issue of the *Whisker Pole*.

Beginning in June the *Whisker Pole* was placed on the public side of the SOS web site where non-members can see SOS in action! At that time all personal information was removed except for email addresses. The Board believes this will minimize members' exposure, but will give members and non-members a safe way to reach SOS contacts.

No member's personal email will be published without prior consent of the member. This will apply to the all pages of the *Whisker Pole* and to other SOS publications.

Membership Spotlight

Who creates magic? Working behind the scenes for more than five years is a very special SOS member. She analyzes each planned SOS cruise/party event and designs a magical blast* with colors and visual creations to highlight the occasion and entice the reader to sign up for the happening. She reviews the SOS calendar and sets a schedule for executing the flyer in a timely fashion. No one need remind her of the importance of promoting each event. Bringing energy to a singular creation or two is special. Doing this regularly for multiple years is stupendous. We thank you **Kathy Haven**.

Volunteering and Sailing with SOS serves as her foundation for reaping large rewards, and Kathy says that she has built incredible lasting friendships by donating her time to the club. Sailing on an enormous number of sailing cruises over time has given her the opportunity to know and enjoy her fellow sailors. Kathy has also taken personal trips to the Bahamas and Scotland and she feels if it were not for her SOS involvement, these treasured journeys would never have occurred.

Kathy has worn multiple hats through the years including being Social Chair, Membership Chair, Fireside Chats Chair and a participant of numerous committees. Twenty-five consecutive years of membership have been filled with good friends, people with the love of sailing, and lots of joyful memories. Look for the smiling Kathy Haven and give her a HUG.

*(blast is the communication that is sent out to all members via email)



AHOY – DOCKSIDE TRAINING IN AUGUST

LINDA CASUCCI, EDUCATION CO-CHAIR

New members who did not have the chance to complete their Basic Skills I & II in April, now have a golden opportunity to do so Saturday, August 10th.

Log on the SOS website and go to the “**Event Calendar**”. Click onto the event day and **register!!!** Of course, after a long day of training, let’s meet up the Boatyard Bar & Grill in Eastport.

Practice, practice and practice will hone your sailing knowledge, and the next day’s (Sunday) sail is a perfect event to work on what you learned at Dockside. Sign up for this event on the “**event calendar**” and you will have a weekend of sailing!!! You potentially could be on the same boat both days!! Just think of what you can achieve!!

At the end of the day, you will qualify to sign up for the weekend overnight sails with SOS. Join us in August, bring your check off sheets and let’s go SAILING!!!

SAILBOATS FULL OF FIRST MATES, OH MY!

CHERIE COMLY, FIRST MATE’S ADVISORY CHAIR

On most SOS sails, you’ll see just one First Mate (FM) assigned per boat to assist the Skipper, perform Basic Skills checkouts, and help develop the skills of the crew. But once a year, on the First Mates’ Cruise, First Mates and First Mate Candidates make up the entire crew on every boat. The First Mates’ Cruise provides FMs with the opportunity to sail together, hone their skills, and develop new ones.

This year, we had 6 Skippers and 14 FMs sailing. *Navigator* (Cliff Baker), *Avalon* (Marty Halvorsen), and *Celebration* (Hope Andruss) planned to sail for 3 days. *Parfait* (Howard Newman), *Pacem* (Robin Meigel), and *Ariosa* (Mike Pittinger) sailed for 2 days. Unfortunately, Friday’s windy rainy weather postponed sailing for all except *Navigator*. With its all-weather, fully enclosed cockpit, the crew sailed sans foul weather gear from the Corsica River to the Magothy River. Along the way, the crew verified that the VHF radio was working by calling the automated response system on channel 27, navigated their way down the Chester River in 1 mile visibility, checked the Automatic Identification System (AIS) to determine if any large ships would be in the channel as they crossed the Bay, and learned yet another way to coil lines and tie a bowline.

On Saturday, the full fleet set sail and rendezvoused in Round Bay on the Severn River. We practiced rafting in “Touch, Stop, and Go” passes alongside *Parfait* which

looked like a bumper boat, as it was adorned with fenders and floating cushions. In addition, the FMs practiced boat handling under motor power by backing up to a mooring ball or doing figure eights across and through the wind. Maneuverability, especially in reverse, varies tremendously from one boat to another. So, this was an excellent learning experience. At the end of the drills, Howard directed the building of a nose to toes linear raft. The evening included lots of socializing and sharing of appetizers and desserts.

Come Sunday morning, it was time to do some Man Overboard (MOB) recovery. *Avalon* used our “Manny O’Board” dummy to test hoisting a MOB with a halyard and block and tackle. Then, *Pacem* successfully brought a live MOB, Mike, aboard. *Navigator*, *Parfait*, and *Avalon* shared their Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) numbers and programmed their VHF radios to try out the Digital Selective Calling (DSC) capabilities. They successfully used individual and group calling, as well as, the position send and request features...very cool.

The weekend was a wonderful chance for First Mates to practice and develop their skills. Thanks go to Louise Burke for developing procedures for us to practice, to all the First Mates that sailed, and especially to all the Skippers that offered their support by participating in the sail!



First Mates practice Man Overboard drill aboard *Pacem*

SOS Membership Stats

	June 2013	June 2012
Skipper	108	148
Member	587	550
Total	695	698

**SOS Board of Directors Meeting – August 3, 2013 3:00pm
Park Place, Annapolis**

Meeting is open to all members.

Directions: From Rt. 50 in Annapolis:

Take exit **24** to merge onto **MD-70 S/Rowe Blvd** toward **Annapolis**. Turn right onto **Taylor Ave.** At the traffic circle, take the **3rd** exit onto **West St.**, Turn left onto **Park Place**. Destination on the left. When you are in front of the building, (Fountain in front) there is a keypad to the right of the lobby doors. Punch in for front desk. Let them know you are there for Sandy Huberfeld. They will direct you to the Party Room P1.

**2013 SOS Board Nominations are beginning –
join the fun and become a Leader!**

The 2013 Nominating Committee of Doug Gage, Irene Aronian, and Barbara Wise are seeking to fill a slate of well qualified and inspired members to serve on the SOS Board. According to SOS Bylaws (see pages 5 and 6 of your new membership directory) a candidate for the Board must have been a member of SOS for two consecutive years as of the date of the election and be a person who has no immediate marriage plans....remember, this is a singles club. Also, no member shall serve more than two consecutive terms, at which time he/she shall become ineligible for a period of one term.

Here is how to nominate yourself or another. Send an email to this address:

2013.sos.bod.noms@gmail.com

The Nominating Committee is actively seeking members who meet the above criteria and will also be looking for members whom:

- Are active in multiple areas of SOS and knowledgeable of how the club operates;
- Are personally committed to serving the best interests of SOS members;
- Serve the majority; Respect the interests of the minority;
- Have a positive attitude;
- Are open to new ideas while being respectful to the SOS culture;
- Will be knowledgeable of and abide by all SOS bylaws;
- Will become knowledgeable of existing policies and be capable of creating or amending policies when appropriate;
- Will provide positive leadership, guidance, training, and appreciation to Committee Chairs and other volunteers;
and
- Recognize they have the opportunity to set an example for other members.

We encourage SOS members to bring your energy and talents to help provide leadership to SOS! To nominate yourself or someone else, we are creating a new, dedicated email address where you can confidentially reach out to the Nominating Committee. This will be sent out to all members by email asap. Alternatively, each member of the Nominating Committee will be happy to answer any questions by email or phone. Please submit your nominations before August 1 to have them announced at the Town Hall meeting.

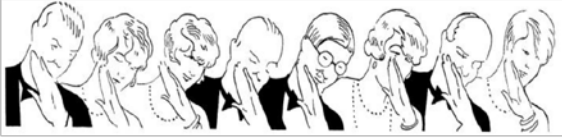
Even if not chosen by the Nominating Committee, any eligible member may be nominated and seconded from the floor of the Town Hall Meeting on August 3. If they accept that nomination their name will appear on the ballot for election in September.

So please plan to attend the Town Hall meeting, Saturday August 3rd, (at no cost for members). You will enjoy a casual dinner and a great evening and will get the chance to do something crazy and unexpected.....throw your hat in the ring for a position on the Board of SOS!

SCUTTLEBUTT

By *Suzanne Farr*

Send items to scuttlebutt@singlesonsailboats.org



"Scuttlebutt has it that Cayenne will soon be up for sale as opposed to out sailing. As Skipper (Sailordude) I am not seeing myself being able to maintain her and will always need crew to operate in the future. It's not just the needing crew, (that being said from a fiercely independent skipper) but my inability to perform such basic tasks at Rig the Sails. With the foot/ankle issue making moving around on deck difficult and risky, along with arthritis, it just doesn't make sense to try anything more foolish than driving over one's own leg with a large motorcycle. Still recovering from that one.

I SO regret that I will NOT be able to take Cayenne out sailing with SOS crew manning her as I have done in the past." Brian

Brian Hanks writes, "Some "older" members will remember effervescent Ann Damianos, who left SOS but went cruising in the Caribbean and met Richard, an Englishman. They married in Cambridge, in a happy ceremony on a blazing, glorious first of June. There was some excitement when at the appropriate time, the rings were not available, holding up proceedings for a while."

"Congratulations to Sid Bergman and Carol Killian who tied the knot at the home of Carol's daughter in Plymouth Meeting, PA on June 8th, 2013. The festivities were attended by their extended family and friends. Carol was resplendent in a gauzy, gracious white shift and Sid was quite dapper in his crisp white shirt and khakis. The expansive grounds were freshly washed and sparkling from a summer rain the night before. Thirteen grandchildren paid tribute to the couple by each coming forward and offering Carol a flower which created her bouquet. Sid & Carol graciously included three SOS couples in their first dance to "September Song" as a fitting tribute to the role of friendship and SOS in their relationship." Jean Logan. And, for the last word, "In truth, SOS had a huge role in bringing us together and helping us to know each other." Sid

Bill Small and Barbara Billek report that they have been waiting for publication of a book by a friend they met their last winter south aboard Small Favours. They celebrated his 89th Birthday in Key West on February 17th, 2005 as he was about to complete his second solo circumnavigation aboard Idle Queen, a Dreadnought 32. They received an email from his daughter; the book is now

published, "Around the World in 80 Years, the Oldest Man to Sail Around the World--Twice!", Harry L. Heckel Jr. with Florence Heckel Russell. Harry is now 97. His daughter reports: "His health isn't bad for one of his age, although he probably wouldn't want to face a gale." Bill says he can't put the book down and is almost halfway through Harry's second time around.

Betsy Kimmel raced in the Harford County Hospice Regatta on the winning spinnaker boat, Summer Semester June 8.

Linell Broecker just came back from a boat trip on the Seine from Honfleur to Paris, capped off with a concert in the Rouen Abbey by her chorale group. Boating and singing...what more could you ask. (Trust me Linell, if I were part of the singing, there'd be a strong answer to that. Proud of you!)

Emil Becker is participating in the around DELMARVA rally with member Doug Gage, and former SOS members Ellen Rosenberg and Kelly Bell.

In addition, there are two other SOS boats in the rally, Dan Meier and Teeja Meier with members John Dombach and Jim Kirk. Also Jim Mosier with Jon Halpern. Hope we make it around successfully with no incident (for you to report in subsequent Scuttlebutts). Will stay in touch and post the tracking site on SOSnet so you and the rest of club can keep track of our progress around.

Wrong way Kerrigan, again.....apparently as some members were sailing towards the DNR location, John Petrow was seen to be sailing AWAY from that destination. Some time later he was at the party, having driven in!

Thanks, all. Keep the information flowing. There is no column without you. Don't forget to send me your birth month and day; it does not get published without your telling me.

Suzanne

Birthdays:

July 1: Dan Meier, **2:** Carole Niemand; **10:** Soren Harbom; **16:** Nancy Brombery and Nancy Anderson; **17:** Marty Smith; **22:** John Domach; **24:** Mel Lessing.

August 8: Deb Capper; **13:** Kittie St Romain; **14:** Meeps Yox; **15:** Brian Hanks; **17:** Judy Barral; **18:** Judy Clarke; **22:** Mike Pittinger; **23:** Cindy Harper



Happy Hours are not official SOS functions.

All sailors or non-sailors interested in sailing are invited to attend any of the SOS HHs, especially new or potential SOS members. We meet at local restaurant in the bar area. Check below or website for locations.

Annapolis, MD: 4th Thursday, 5:30 – 7:00 PM and later at **The Rockfish**, 400 6th Street, Annapolis 21403. Tel. 410-267-1800. Meet in the lounge area between the bar and fireplace. Parking in the rear. Order at the bar. **SOS Contact:** Patricia Duvall at PatCd0917@verizon.net

Baltimore, MD: 2nd Thursday- July 11th , 4 – 8 PM at **Shuckers** located at 1629 Thames Street, Fells Point. Great view of Northwest Harbor. Happy Hour specials til 7 pm. Park and pay on the street-remember to put the ticket on your dashboard; or there is a cheap parking garage west of Broadway on Thames Street. Often, you can find free parking East of Fells Pt. **SOS Contact:** Brian at sailordude@mac.com

Rockville, MD: 3rd Thursday- July 18th , 5 -7 PM at **Marriott Hotel**, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852, (301) 822-9200; by the White Flint Metro station. **SOS Contact:** Jim Randall: jrrand1@gmail.com

Ellicott City, MD: 2nd Thursday- July 11th 5:30 – 7:30 PM at **Bare Bones Grill and Brewery**, 9150-22 Baltimore Natl. Pike, Ellicott City, MD 21042. Corner of St. Johns Lane & Rte 40. <http://www.barebonesgrill.com/> tel. 410.461.0770 **SOS Contact:** Jill Montgomery jill.montgom@gmail.com

Virginia/DC: There are two NVA/DC Happy Hours! **1st Tuesday- July 2th meet at 5:00 p.m.** at the bar: **Mylos Grill**, Old Dominion Drive in McLean/ Chesterbrook shopping center. www.mylosgrill.com. Free parking, great food!

and

3rd Friday- July 19th meet at 5:00 p.m. at the bar: **Sur la Place**, 5105 MacArthur Blvd. website: surlaplaceindc.com (Site of the old L'Appetito) Wash. DC. **SOS Contact:** Charlotte O'Conor coconor@aol.com

SE Pennsylvania: 1st Tuesday- July 2nd at McKenzie Brew House (was Charlie Brown's) off 202; 324 W Swedesford Road, Berwyn, 610 407 4300 Starting at 6 pm; dinner around 7:00 pm.

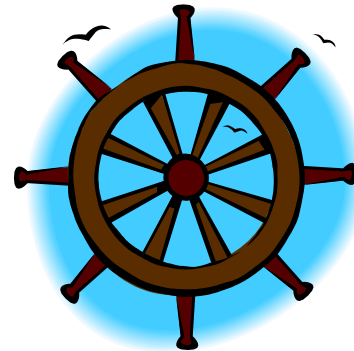
and

3rd Thursday- July 18th, Deck Opening at the Desmond Hotel 6-10 pm. One Liberty Blvd., Malvern, PA featuring the Chatterband
SOS Contact: Patti Evans, pattievans@aol.com

South-Central Pennsylvania: Officially the July Happy Hour is **canceled** as it falls on the 4th; however, you are welcomed to go. Next Happy Hour is **August 1st, 1st Thursday-** at Heritage Hills Golf Resort, 2700 Mt. Rose Ave. (PA-124), York, PA starting at **6:30** on the lower level of Knickers Pub. **SOS Contact:** Bob Morrow, sosrjmorrow@aol.com

Delaware: 3rd Wednesday 5:30 PM, at Timothy's Restaurant and Bar, Wilmington Riverfront, by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront.
<http://timothysontheriverfront.com/>
930 Justison Street, Wilmington DE 19801. 302-429-RIBS (7427). Happy Hour drink specials good until 7PM. **SOS Contacts:**Sue Donaldson sbdonaldson713@verizon.net
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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Elizabeth	Blair	Annapolis	MD
Bonnie	DiCapua	Bel Air	MD
Vickie	Huss	Leonardtwn	MD
Mary	Jacobs	Washington	DC
Charlotte	King	Germantown	MD
Melody	Miller	Fairfax	VA
Sheri	O'Connell	Bethesda	MD
Donna	Powell	Newark	DE
Julie	Smith	Sterling	VA



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DEADLINE FOR ADS is the 15th of the month for publication in the following month's issue.

SOS NET: The unofficial online communication for SOS members. To join, simply navigate in your browser to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SinglesOnSail> (Yahoo! ID required). There are no fees or subscriptions. For questions, e-mail the list owner at: singlesonsail-owner@yahoogroups.com

BOATS -- SLIPS -- EQUIPMENT - MISC

44' Mercer 44 "Spirit" will soon be **FOR SALE**. See www.mercer44.net or contact Floyd Hollister at 2sailors@verizon.net. (exp. 8-13)

BOAT FOR SALE: 1983 CATALINA 30 tall rig. Universal 21hp diesel engine, roller furling, bimini, lazy jacks. All lines and fenders. Well-maintained. \$16,900. Call Lorraine at 410-573-1030 or email lhfassett@verizon.net. (exp. 8-13)

31' NEWPORT '88 DODGER & BIMINI, winged keel, MaxProp (folding), low time Universal 14 hp, recent survey. \$8,500 for half share. Contact Mark at (240)669-6764 or mcvogel15@gmail.com. (exp. 7-13)

BOAT SLIP FOR LEASE: Mill Creek off of Whitehall Bay for 28 Ft or smaller boat. Water and Elec. 3 SOS boats the dock. Contact Walter Flowers at 410-757-8062. (exp. 7-13)

SLIP FOR RENT: Deep water slip in protected cove off Mill Creek (**SEVERN RIVER**). Newly rebuilt, rewired pier. Water and electricity available at pier. Plenty of parking available for cars. Easy access to the Chesapeake Bay. Contact Bev Nash, 410-349-1467 or beverlynash@verizon.net. (exp. 7-13)

FOR SALE: MERCURY 3.3. HP 2 CYCLE ENGINE. Purchased in 2004. Used 3 times. Maintained properly and stored indoors. \$400/OBO. Please contact Ken Kirk at kenkirk38@gmail.com or 240-994-5068. (exp. 7-13)

FOR SALE: 1 SOSpenders inflatable PFD. Unused, adult size, 25 lb buoyancy. Model 25ASPT, in original ackaging. \$50/OBO. Please contact Ken Kirk at kenkirk38@gmail.com or 240-994-5068. (exp. 7-13)

SOS DISCOUNTS on Marina Services at HINCKLEY full-service marina on Whitehall Creek. A complete portfolio of yacht services Call JEFF (& mention SOS) at 410-349-2183 to get your discount on your next visit! (exp. 8-13)

REAL ESTATE

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RENTING YOUR ANNAPOLIS AREA HOME? Retired, responsible professional woman relocating to Annapolis area is seeking to rent a 2 to 4 BR home/TH that is waterfront (or with spectacular water views) ideally with a garage, for at least one year; move-in dates and length of lease are flexible. I'm also a homeowner and will take exceptional care of your house! If you or anyone you know is interested in renting their home please call: 202-643-9297 Thank you! (exp. 8-13)

KITCHEN & BATHROOMS: Upgrade or Repairs for your Home or Vessel, mark.rybas@rocketmail.com or call Mark Rybas: [610-585-9037](tel:610-585-9037). (exp. 7-13)

DOG SITTING WHILE YOU SAIL: Bob Wright and Mary Chevalier will care for your dog so you can go sailing in June, July or August. They love dogs and have started a Dog Sitting Service at their home in Bowie (half way between DC and Annapolis with easy access from Rt-50) where they have a great fenced in yard. In addition to walking and feeding your pet, they will also administer medication or injections. If needed, they will pick up from your home. Contact: Mary at mary7570@yahoo.com. (exp. 8-13)

DIRECTIONS

TOWN HALL MEETING Galesville Memorial Hall; 952 Main Street; Galesville, MD

From Annapolis: Take MD Rt 2 South to MD Rt 255 East (left) to Galesville. Cross MD Rt 468. Continue on Rt. 255, which becomes Main Street. Just after the post office and before the firehouse, the hall is on the left.

From Route 50: Take Exit 16, MD Rt 424 to Davidsonville. Continue past Davidsonville to MD Rt 2 South (right) then to MD Rt 255 East (left) to Galesville. Cross MD Rt 468. Continue on Rt. 255, which becomes Main Street. Just after the post office and before the firehouse, the hall is on the left.

SAILING EMPORIUM: 410-778-1342

by sea: go to sailingemporium.com for marina layout
From the South - East over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge to Rt. 301. Take Rt. 213 north to Chestertown. Proceed through Chestertown- turn left at Rt. 291 (Morgnac Rd) go to end, turn right onto Rt. 20 to Rock Hall (12 miles). Turn left at the blinking light (Main St.). Go through town of Rock Hall. Turn right onto Green Lane. Continue to the Sailing Emporium entrance on your right.

From the North - Interstate 95 to Rt. 896 S to Rt. 896/301 Take 301 (past Middletown, DE) to exit right onto Rt. 290 to Galena. Go through light at Galena. Now on Rt. 213. Continue to Chestertown. Turn right on Rt. 291. Go to the end; turn right on Rt. 20, to Rock Hall. Continue as above.

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Two August Events Not To Be Missed!

Town Hall Meeting on August 3
and
Crab Feast on August 17

