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Message from the President I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a very happy new year. I also want to thank the Chapter Membership for all of your support in 2017 and wish the very best to all of you in the coming year. Our Chapter continues to be successful due largely to the commitment and great efforts of all the committee chairmen and volunteers. Please join me in saying thanks again to *all* that have contributed to another exceptional year. Going forward our continued success depends on membership involvement and I really appreciate all of you. This year begins with our January 17th and February 21st chapter meetings. Mark your calendars. When you attend the meetings don't forget to pick up a few **Expo Raffle Tickets**. Again this year each ticket gets you **3 chances to win**. The drawing will take place at our 2018 Saltwater Expo on February 24th. You don't have to be present to win so please load up. See below for all the details. Also, please support the 2018 Scholarship campaign by bringing any unused fishing gear to the meetings that will then be donated to the scholarship table at this year's Saltwater Expo. Please support our club any way you can. Hope to see you soon.
Bob Sheehan - President



Fall Sunset Tolly Point 2017

January 17th Chapter Meeting

MSSA Annapolis Chapter meetings are open to the public. Spouses and children are welcome to attend. There will be drawings for door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. When you arrive, don't forget to get your free door prize ticket and buy for \$5 each a 50/50 ticket. Food and drinks are available at very reasonable prices at the American Legion Post. So, arrive early and have dinner. Meetings are held at the **American Legion Post 7, 1905 Crownsville Rd, Crownsville, MD**. The meeting starts at **7p.m**

Mention the secrete word and get a second door prize ticket.....**BLUEFISH**

Fishing the Severn River in Fall and Winter

Presented by John Veil: john@veilenvironmental.com

The Severn River offers fishing opportunities all year long. Many people fish throughout the fall months, but only a few diehards continue to fish during the winter months. This talk describes the changes that take place in the river and its tidal creeks and ponds during the fall and winter months. It covers the ways in which I fish in the river during those times of year. The talk reviews fishing methods, target species, general locations, and protective clothing when fishing from a kayak in cold weather.

Vendor -

Tournament winner, **Matt Baden of JigTheBay.com** will be the vendor for January and May meetings. Matt has compiled the tools that have made him successful on the Chesapeake Bay. Jig The Bay offers locally and regionally made fishing products that produce quality fish.

Holiday Party Review

WOW what a great Holiday Party!! We all had a really fun time this year. I was fortunate to have my wife Jolynn and daughter Kacie there again this year and was very pleased to see so many spouses and kids. Adams Rib's in Eastport put together another fantastic spread for us. Once again we asked everyone to bring non-perishable goods to be donated to the Light House shelter in Annapolis and the response was overwhelming. Two full carts of goods were delivered and very gratefully received. Thank you for your generosity!



Food Donations Annapolis Lighthouse Shelter 2018

To the delight of several children attending Santa made an appearance. The looks on the children's faces were absolutely priceless. Santa also brought several wrapped door prizes for the big kids as well as an open bar and a nice 50/50. Lots of happy faces and goodwill were shared by all. Be sure you put this one on your Holiday schedule for 2018!

Special thanks to Betty and her crew at the American Legion, Jean and Ricky Holmes, Brian Stempowski and all of Santa's helpers for all your help getting the party together. I hope to see you all there again next December.

I wish everyone good health, prosperity and much happiness in the new year! Bob Sheehan, Pres.









Saltwater Expo 2018

SALTWATER FISHING EXPO & SEMINAR SERIES Sat. Feb. 24, 2018

The SALTWATER FISHING EXPO has become one of the most popular winter fishing shows in the area. It brings together some of the best local tackle dealers offering the latest Light Tackle Jigging, Bay Trolling and Offshore Tackle with an outstanding Seminar Series. The majority of tackle offered for sale is new and reflects innovations focused on our local waters. There will be numerous professional Charter Captains and Guides to answer questions, provide advice or book a trip for the upcoming season.

Admission includes four Informative Seminars from local Expert Anglers which provide great information on what is working for these local Captains. The scheduled Seminar Topics for this year are:

08:30 Lisa Foxwell: Fishing 101 for Lady Anglers (guys are welcome too)

10:00 Shawn Kimbro: Light tackle Fishing on the Chesapeake Bay

11:30 Captain Mark Galasso: Spring Trolling for Trophy Stripers

01:00 Panel Discussion: Light Tackle Fishing on the Chesapeake Bay

Panel Members: Captain Chris Dollar, Lenny Rudow, Shawn Kimbro, Captain Richie Gaines

The Seminar Room is separate from the main Show Floor and provides a comfortable and sound isolated room with seating for +135 attendees. This is a great learning opportunity so be sure to bring a notebook and pen.

The entire event is held indoors at the modern Annapolis Elks Lodge which is located at 2517 Solomons Island Road Edgewater MD 21037. Admission is only \$5 for adults and Kids 14 and under are FREE! Pay at the door – no advance tickets required. There is easy access from I-97, Route 50 and Route 2 with Free Parking. Food and Beverages are available including Pit Beef Sandwiches, Raw Oysters and Full Bar Service.

For more information or to download directions or the event flyer click on www.saltwaterfishingexpo.com This is the primary Fundraiser for our Chapter so please mark your calendar and plan to attend with a buddy or two. It is a great way to spend a winter Saturday and help you get ready for the 2018 Fishing Season. It takes a large Staff to make this event run smoothly so if you can volunteer to help please check in with Kevin at the Chapter Meeting or via the following contact information. Kevin McMenamin kevin@mssaannapolis.com or (410) 340-5030.

Saltwater Fishing Expo Raffle 2018

The proceeds from our annual Saltwater Expo are the life blood of our organization. These funds enable the Chapter to operate everything from providing a great place to have our monthly meetings to subsidizing our Summer Fish, annual Crab Feast, Holiday party and monthly door prizes. A large part of this funding comes from the proceeds from the sale of Saltwater Fishing Expo raffle tickets. Once again, this year we are raffling **three fantastic prizes!!!** When you purchase a ticket you will have **three chances to win.**

First Prize: 2 – “TSUNAMI” Standup Rods with Shimano TLD 25 Reels (value \$670)

Second Prize: “GO PRO” 4 Black (Value \$400)

Third Prize: “SHIMANO TREVALA S” Rod with a Shimano Stradic 2500 C14 Reel. The reel is strung with braided line and fluorocarbon leader. Included with this prize is a BKD Jig Kit. The value of this prize is \$400.

Tickets are available for sale (1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20) at the January 17th and February 21st meetings as well as at the door the day of our Saltwater Expo on Saturday, February 24th.

You don't have to be present to win but you do have to play to win. Contact Rickey Holmes if you want tickets mailed to you hoffmanrx8257@yahoo.com The drawing will take place at the conclusion of the Saltwater Expo, Feb. 24, 2018. Good luck!!!

MSSA Scholarship Flea Market Tables

Every year we dedicate tables at the Expo for the MSSA Scholarship foundation to sell donated items to benefit the scholarship fund. The donated items are supplied primarily by Annapolis Chapter members and support a very worthy cause. This is a great time of year to sort through your fishing and boating gear to determine what is working well and what is just taking up space. Please consider donating any unwanted or under-utilized fishing or boating items (no matter their condition) for the scholarship fund. Your clutter will be turned into scholarship foundation cash and help deserving students achieve their college dreams. Last year was a banner year at the Annapolis Expo and Scholarship Chairman, Pete Abbott, has repeatedly thanked the Annapolis Chapter for being the top Chapter in their support of the Scholarship Foundation. Please bring any items you wish to donate to the January or February Chapter Meeting or directly to the Expo on Saturday morning. You can also make alternate plans by contacting Pete Abbott at abbottgru@aol.com

(Side note: while going through your tackle inventory—this is a great time to create your shopping list for our great vendors at the Expo.)

Scholarship Foundation 2018

Subject: Results of SF Participation in Frederick Chapter EXPO on 13 JAN 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen,

A special THANK YOU to Pete Reid, Jack Westermeyer, and Greg Cade for their outstanding support of the Foundation at the Frederick Fishing EXPO on Saturday. The Chapter provided 2- 8 foot tables for our Flea Market and a 6 foot table for us to sell raffle tickets near the front door. With help from Bill Huffines, merchandise was pre-priced for sale before going to Frederick. This helped set expectations for the buyers and often resulted in sales at the asking price. As merchandise not sold at one show is taken to the next, there is little incentive to drastically reduce prices early in the season. I'm sure it contributed to the strong sales we enjoyed throughout the EXPO.

Doors opened at 5:30 a.m. and we began setting up both locations in the main hall to be ready by 7:30. Despite strong winds, snow flurries, and 25 knots of wind, we got the merchandise moved from Pete's SUV to the Tables and were overrun by early entrants and some vendors before the doors opened at 8. Thanks to the generosity of several MSSA members who donated significant amounts of material for us to sell, we ended the day with \$2409 in table sales. Thanks to the Frederick Chapter's purchase of \$500 worth of tickets and additional sales during the day, the net proceeds for ticket sales was \$1230, contributing to the grand total of receipts for the day of **\$3639**. Other than a day on which we sold a boat, I cannot recall a single more profitable one-day event in the history of the Foundation.

During the day I was able to speak with several of our Raffle Prize Donors among the vendors present at Frederick. All of them confirmed their willingness to donate a Prize for the 2018 Raffle, expanding the growing list of valuable prizes to be won in late May. I cannot emphasize enough the value of our Prize List and the importance of each of us working to bring more prizes and new donors to the Raffle "family".

The next show in which we will have both Flea Market and Raffle Tickets sales will be at Annapolis on Saturday, FEB 24. While the Annapolis Chapter, as host, is sure to support these activities, it is most important that all MSSA Chapters encourage their members to donate items to be sold at Annapolis, Essex-Middle River, and Southern Maryland. As we saw at Frederick yesterday, the potential to raise funds for multiple scholarships at each of these events adds urgency to our efforts to secure new donations.

I look forward to depositing the money collected yesterday into our BB&T Checking Account. Our balance will approach \$14,500, increasing our confidence in our ability to achieve another record year when scholarships are awarded in early June.

Pete

Marine and Maritime Career Fair 2018

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018 from Noon - 3:00 PM

Annapolis High School 2700 Riva Road Annapolis, Maryland

Do you know a student who loves boats? The water? Science? Technology? Math? If so, you need to save this date: On February 24, 2018 the Eastport Yacht Club Foundation will bring together students and marine and maritime industry professionals for the Marine and Maritime Career Expo at Annapolis High School. Over fifty organizations will be on hand to discuss careers in the Marine Trades and the Maritime Sciences as well as educational and apprentice opportunities.

This terrific event is free for all students in Grades 6 – 12 as well as recent high school graduates and college students from the Maryland and Chesapeake Bay region.

Career Expo Highlights

- Network with Professionals, Entrepreneurs, Student Peers, Colleges, Training Programs, Internship Opportunities
- Hands-on Experiences
- Learn about Marine & Maritime Scholarships, the MTAM Pre-Apprenticeship-Summer Internship Training Program & more
- Attend Special Sessions on the vast array of marine & maritime career pathways including STEM –focused professions & Marine Trades
- Win Grand Door Prizes (Pre-Registration & Completion of On-site “Career Challenge” required for eligibility).

The Career Expo is presented with support from title sponsors, the Marine Trades Association of Maryland and the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay.

To learn more about the event and to register, visit <http://www.eycfoundation.org/programs/maritime-career-awareness/2018-career-fair>

The Marine and Maritime Career Expo was started by a partnership of the EYC Foundation, Anne Arundel County Schools, and the National Sailing Hall of Fame.

The Eastport Yacht Club Foundation is a charitable arm of the Eastport Yacht Club and exists to promote participation in boating, education in the marine industry, and environmental awareness through collaborative programming, fundraising and community partnerships.

In addition to producing the Marine and Maritime Career Fair, the Foundation has a robust STEM program and offers scholarships to students for study in the marine and maritime fields.

For more information visit www.eycfoundation.org.

Rock on Warriors 2018

We are excited to let you know that planning for our 9th annual **Rock on Warriors** event is well underway!

Last year volunteer members of the Annapolis Chapter of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association (MSSA) provisioned 24 boats to take nearly 80 Warriors, family and caregivers out for a day of rock fishing on our beautiful Chesapeake Bay. The day was a great success made possible through sponsorship and kind donations. Our sponsors support this event through cash donations as well as providing goods and services and the event would not be possible without their consistent support. Please consider sponsoring or donating to this event to say **Thank You** to our service men and women, and to help allow us to share with them the experience that Annapolis and the Chesapeake Bay have to offer.

We hope we can count on your support this year. Enclosed you will find a Sponsor Application Form for your use. If you are unable to provide a full sponsorship, please consider a donation in any amount to help support this rewarding cause.

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RockOnWarriors/ for all the latest information about this event.

Thank you for your generosity and support,

Brian R. Stempowski
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