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Newsletter of the Annapolis Chapter of the MSSA

"More Fish - More Catching - More Fun"

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This month we mark the final rockfish tournament of the year with our 25th annual MSSA "Chesapeake Bay Fall Classic" November 17-19. Fish only two out of three days. Anglers can strategize by selecting the best two of three days that suit their rig and team. Check www.mssa.net/fallclasic and this newsletter for Captain's meeting dates and all the details. I look forward to seeing all of you at our chapter meeting this Wednesday, November 15th at 7:00 pm.

Bob Sheehan - President



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

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

CHAPTER SPEAKER LINE UP
NOVEMBER 15, 2017 MEETING: SPEAKER AND VENDOR
Capt. Randy Dean of Bay Hunter Fishing Charters will present fall fishing techniques. Randy will discuss Chesapeake Bay fishing as he transitions from light tackle and bottom fishing for spot, flounder, trout, croakers and perch to trolling for fall stripers. Capt. Dean runs bay-built Bay Hunter and Bay Hunter II out of Anchor Yacht Basin located in Edgewater MD. His son Ryan joins him as a charter captain and his son Matt serves as a first mate. From now through to December Captain Dean fishes for sea trout, bluefish, and rockfish. Half day and full day charters are available.
Gary Ritchie of Spankin Striper Baits will be our vendor. Gary hand-crafts his "Spanker" baits including Teacher Bucktails, Baby Spankers, Senior Spankers, Hotlips Spankers, and Rubberbug Hotlips Spankers. Gary will also have his new custom-built rods to show.
Tom Taneyhill and Chris Taneyhill
Speaker Co-Chairman
SCHOLARSHIP – In Memory of Ron Schaefer
To honor the memory of our departed team mate and loyal MSSA member, Ron Schaefer, a special scholarship has been established and will be awarded to a deserving student for Academic Year 2018-2019. Ron specifically asked that memorial donations be directed to the MSSA Scholarship Foundation.

The Foundation has already collected over \$1800 toward this award and you are encouraged to make a tax-deductible gift to this fund before April, 2018. There is no upper limit on the amount that can be given in this scholarship. To donate, make your check payable to "MSSA Scholarship Foundation" and mail to Pete Abbott at 219 Overture Way, Centreville, MD 21617-2388. Tax deductions are credited to a donor in the year in which

the donation is made, in this case, either 2017 or 2018.

Say the secret word "Blowfish" and receive a second door prize ticket free!!

MSSA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

The MSSA Scholarship Foundation has kicked off the fundraising campaign for 2018 awards. Your support will ensure that we meet our goal to deliver \$35,000 to the best qualified candidates next May. You can help in many ways and here are a few of them:

Make a tax-deductible contribution by writing a **check** payable to **MSSA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION** and making it to Pete Abbott, 219 Overture Way, Centreville, MD 21617.

Donate new or used items that we can sell at our Flea Market Tables at the winter Fishing Shows. Bring the items to chapter meetings or contact me for a home or business pickup at 443-872-5342 or abbottgru@aol.com.

Go to www.mssascholarships.net and click on the **DONATE** Button. We accept donations by **PayPal**, **Credit** or **Debit** Cards. If you subscribe to the online Weekly Fishtalk Magazine Fishing Reports, click on the Scholarship Foundation Banner in the Mid-Bay section. It takes you to the DONATE Page on our website.

Become a **MAJOR SPONSOR.** Gifts of \$1000 or more provide an opportunity to establish a "named scholarship" to honor the memory of an individual or create a corporate/family scholarship that is given to a deserving scholarship winner.

BOATS, CARS, and Hi-Value boating equipment such as electronics are major sources of funds. The Foundation welcomes these tax-deductible gifts and will work with you to realize a fair-market value when sold. While you may not have a boat or car to give, you may know someone who does. Contact me to follow up on any lead you have to a prospective donor.

Starting in November, tickets for the Annual Sportsman's Raffle will be available. We are pleased to announce that Keith Fraser, Owner of ALLTACKLE.com, will be the SPONSOR for the new Raffle and provide the GRAND PRIZE of a \$1000 Gift Certificate to the holder of the first ticket drawn at the celebration party during the week of May 20th, 2018. PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING A PRIZE for this important element in our fun raising efforts. Prizes are tax-deductible.

Pete Abbott

PS: With the fishing season winding down and with our chapter "Fishing Expo" coming in February, please remember the scholarship foundation when cleaning out your tackle boxes. Donated items will be accepted at all our upcoming chapter meetings. Thank you!

MSSA "FALL CLASIC" TOURNAMENT



ENTER ONLINE @ www.mssa.net/fallclassic

CAPTAIN'S MEETINGS

All meetings are from 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. (Food & Drink Available) - DOOR PRIZES!!!

(You may register for the tournament and/or pick up your Captain Packet at any of the meetings listed below. Or at the main MSSA office. Please call ahead to ensure a staff member is there to let you in.)

- Monday, November 13 Island Tackle Outfitters Kent Island
- Tuesday, November 14 Commodore Hall Essex
- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 The Lighthouse Restaurant Solomons Island
- Thur., November 16 ALLTACKLE Annapolis LAST CHANCE TO ENTER
- Friday, Saturday & Sunday Tournament Fishing Days (Fish Only 2 of 3 Days Lay Day Rule) Text your Boat/Capt. Number, Name, and Lay Day to 410-709-8774 before start of tourney or by 5am each day. If you do not declare your lay-day, we will assume you fished Friday & Saturday.

Chapter Raffle @ the Saltwater Expo

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. This year we are raffling **THREE PRIZES.** When you purchase a ticket, you will have **THREE CHANCES TO WIN!!!**

<u>First Prize</u>: A set of two rod and reel combinations featuring Shimano TLD 25 reels mated to Bloody Point 6'20-50 lb class stand up rods with 40# Sufix line. This set is valued at over \$650.

Second Prize: A "GO PRO". This prize is valued at over \$400.

<u>Third Prize:</u> 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). See Ricky Holms at our regular Chapter meetings. Tickets are also available at the door the day of our Saltwater Fishing Expo.

You don't have to be present to win but you do have to play to win.... good luck!!!

2018 Chapter Officer Elections

Fellow Annapolis chapter members. The open nominating period for 2018 Chapter Officers will begin this Wednesday, November 15th, 2017 and close Wednesday, November 29th, 2017.

We are seeking nominations for the following Offices: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Anyone interested in running for any of these positions please submit, by email, your name and the office that you are seeking to our current Secretary at **fmenage@verizon.net** on or before 12pm, 11-29-2017.

Resulting ballots will be sent to all chapter members via email. Directions for submitting votes will be included in the email. Elections will be held at our regularly scheduled chapter meeting held on January 17, 2018.

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It has been my great pleasure and honor to serve as your Annapolis Chapter President for the past several years. The same can also be said for the current slate of cabinet officers. We have all enjoyed serving very much. However, it's time for "new blood". Please strongly consider what you can do for our club and step up for one of these positions.

Respectfully, Bob Sheehan, Pres.

CHARTER OFFICES AND LEADERSHIP TEAM

President - Bob Sheehan (443) 571-5615

Vice President – Brian Stempowski (410-598-2914

Secretary - Fred Menage (410) 798-5868

Treasurer - Jean Hoffman (410) 923-0769

Crab Feast Chairman - Larry Muscatello

Holiday Party Co- Chairman – Bob Sheehan, Ricky Holms, Jean Hoffman, Brian Stempowski

Evan Foundation- Dale Dirks, Bob Thompson, George Brown

MSSA Scholarship Committee – Pete Abbott

Newsletter Editor - Kacie Sheehan

Ocean City Fish Chairman – Ricky Holms

Raffle Chairman – Bill Petrohoy

Rock on Warriors Chairmen – Brian Stempowski, Bill Petrohoy

Saltwater Fishing Expo Chairman - Kevin McMenamin, Glen Stephenson

Speaker Chairman – Tom Taneyhill, Chris Taneyhill

Summer Fish Chairman – Bill Walling

Web Master - Craig Teuber

Website Content Editor - Fred Menage