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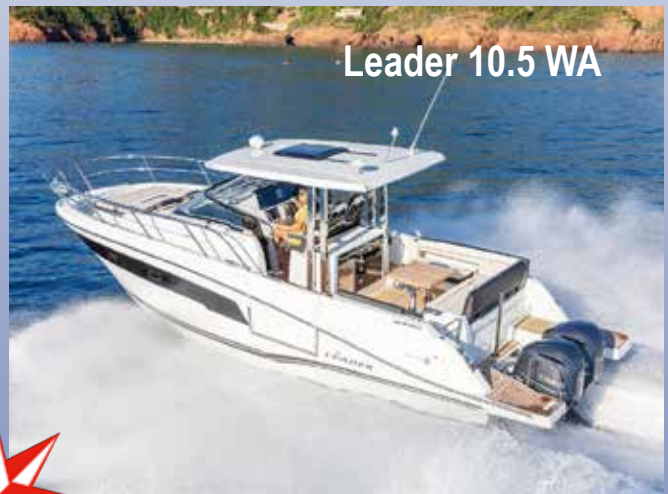
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Marinating with Jim High

TALKIN' 'BOUT MY GENERATION...

The Who song 'My Generation' came out in 1965. Sang by Roger Daultry he happened to mention "Hope I die before I get old" And well, that was always my plan. But now that I am 57, I think I might have to reevaluate that plan. And yes, I am very grateful to have seen all that I have, done everything I wanted to, and boated all over the country. So, now that I have had to change the plan, over the last few years I have started to take better care of myself. I stopped smoking for my lungs, stopped caffeine for my heart, stopped jogging for my knees, stopped discount bungee jumping for my bones and increased my daily allotment of vitamins, minerals, tofu burgers and Natural Light. (okay, I lied about the tofu burgers) but there is still time, I hope. Still time, I hope... To do the things we love, enjoy the people we love and never stop trying to take the non-boating humans out for boat ride!

I missed seeing Jake the Waterperson at the Bay Bridge Boat show. I ran through Rock Hall in Early May and didn't see him there either! So this past weekend at Sue Haven Yacht Clubs opening I was surprised to see him! I was like Holy @#\$% Juke the Waterman on the Western Shore!!! He grovelled, bought me a beer and we sat eating Cheese Burgers just before him and his family headed back across the bay. Thank You Jake for all the good memories...



JIM AND KISHA <3

VECTOR ANALYSIS FROM CAPTAIN RAY!

Captain Ray, who will never admit to being a legend constantly has great ways to explain the joys of boating! Vector Analysis... when you are docking your boat you should ask for help when you, the Captain, are docking your boat, operating your boat and leaving your slip. If you don't ask for help, then the people on your boat shouldn't be HELPING! Tell them to sit down and be the Captain! The best example of Vector Analysis is your docking your boat. You have a mathematical equation running through your head as your boat is backing into its slip. And then for no reason someone on your boat reaches out and moves the boat or pushes off a piling. Instantly your vector analysis or mathematical equation has to be corrected!

A SAD AND TRUE AND FUN STORY ALL IN ONE



I went to watch the Micro Wrestling Federation at Cult Classic this past April. We can call short people, dwarves, Diminutes, Miniatures, peewees, runt or what I've always called Height Challenged people Midgets. I AM NOT BEING RUDE! It is just how people describe people. Now, I ran into a fabulous group of Midgets this past winter at a Bucce's waiting in line. So, they were all around me and I struck up a cool conversation. They explained they were a group of midget wrestlers who travel the country doing shows. They are celebrated as celebrities, sign autographs, meet other people like them, meet allot of women (and often more than that) and absolutely love what they do. But recently they have been hav-

ing a problem!!! Yup, a problem!!! College students and do-gooders keep showing up and protesting outside their gigs. The Do-Gooders think they are being exploited, and their human rights are being violated! It can affect the wrestlers gate by 20 and 30 percent. The college students don't realize the troop of midgets own their business!

While at the Bay Bridge Boat Show I learned the troop was going to be on Kent Island that Saturday night. The crowd was probably 2000 people, the troop ran the whole event and it was truly entertaining! I loved it!



LOOK OUT 2025 **HURRICANE KAREN'S ON THE LIST!**

By Wendy Gilbert *Contributing Editor*

Just when you thought Karen was taking a breather, she's back. This time, well-positioned on this year's names for Atlantic Hurricanes.

The Atlantic hurricane season is fast approaching, and early indications have forecasters worried that it will have similarities to the 2024 season, which was one of the most devastating and expensive on record. Many communities are still recovering from those storms. Beryl entered the record books as the earliest Category 5 on record, Helene pummeled the Southeast with torrential rain and flooding, and Milton tore across Florida with deadly flooding and dozens of tornadoes.

Between 13 and 18 named storms are expected in 2025, including 7-10 hurricanes, three to five major hurricanes that reach Category 3 strength or higher, and three to six direct U.S. impacts.

There is a 20 percent chance of more than 18 named storms this year.

18!

According to experts, the upcoming season could get off to a fast start, including the chance for a named storm to develop before the season officially starts on June 1. Some suggest that there could be a lull in activity following early-season storms, but it could be capped off by a busy end to the year. This would be similar to last year, when 13 of the 18 named storms occurred between September and mid-November.

The peak of the hurricane season typically falls on Sept. 10.

I made the names list!

Karen and I could be quite the power duo, so look out!

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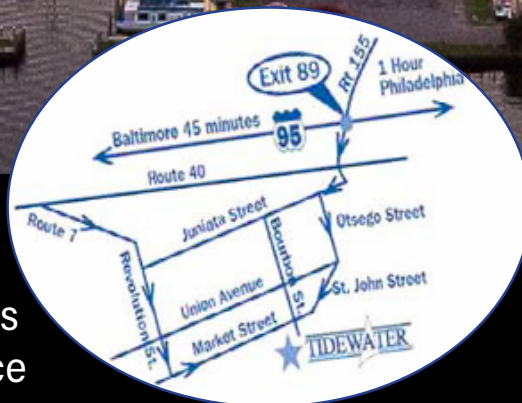
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MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Let The Games Begin!

By Wendy Gilbert

For us, Memorial Day Weekend heralds in The Family Boating Season.

Many avid boaters, fishermen, fisherwomen, fisherchildren and retirees have been out on the water for weeks, if not months, by now.

This is when the whole crew gathers.

In the previous century, I worked as a lifeguard at Potomac Valley Country Club. Memorial Day weekend was our Opening Day, and we were ready!

The pool was spotless, the water tested at the perfect pH level, and all the games with whistles and a greased watermelon were ready. The fences were festooned with all the flags and bunting we could find. After all, Memorial Day was once called Decoration Day. The idea was to lay flowers at the graves of the nation's war dead. Like so many traditions, things have evolved. There's a lot of bunting these days! I'm not sure how one progresses from flowers to bunting, but hasn't there always been marketing?

The first Saturday of the Memorial Day weekend was also training day for our members' kids. Most of them

would visit us often. Some weekly and some daily. This was the weekend to lay down the law and the rules like country club pool boot camp.

There was very little swimming, boating or fishing in the somewhat nearby Potomac River. At that time the pollution levels were so high, no one trusted what might be caught. You certainly didn't want to go swimming in it. Swimming was for the creeks, an abandoned quarry, and our pool.

We were your best choice for miles around. Memorial Day Weekend pool games were so much fun, even the most reticent child could be enticed into the chilly water. They would emerge later, a little blue and goose bumped, ready to be wrapped in giant beach towels by their mothers. Bliss, my friends, bliss.

Whatever your choice for boating bliss this weekend, I hope you enjoy your family and the blessings of our glorious rivers and Bay. Lay down the "rules" for the season, enjoy a grilled hot dog and honor the nation's war dead as you see fit.

It's Summer 2025, baby!



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Dog Days OF BOATING



Did you ever notice how your cell phone sometimes seems to read your mind? It's a little uncanny and unnerving. Perhaps keeping your cell phone in your pocket allows it to read and understand brainwaves that flow through your body. Like the other day, I happened to have Mexican food for lunch, and while I was eating, I thought I'd check out Instagram. Lo and behold the "topic of conversations" that came up were adds for natural laxatives and dogs that have rather funny farting problems. Really? Not items I generally look up. Other than a funny dog item, I didn't dwell on any one item, and my phone started rolling out surfing, fishing, and boating Instagrams. Things I generally spend more time on.

This morning however, I started seeing more and more funny dog

videos when I looked on Instagram. One that particularly tweaked my funny bone was one about Labrador Retrievers and their owners. The premise was that roles were reversed and the owners were actually being trained and guided by the dogs. Wow, that hit home since I answer to two of them. They wake us up in the morning. They eat with us and sleep with us at night. In fact, we have to sleep with the windows closed in case the local herd of deer shows up. If the dogs hear or smell them, it's chaos with pillows flying and 140 pounds of furballs ransacking our bedroom. And if there aren't any toys lying about, they have to sink their teeth into something like our ankles or cherry wood bedroom furniture.

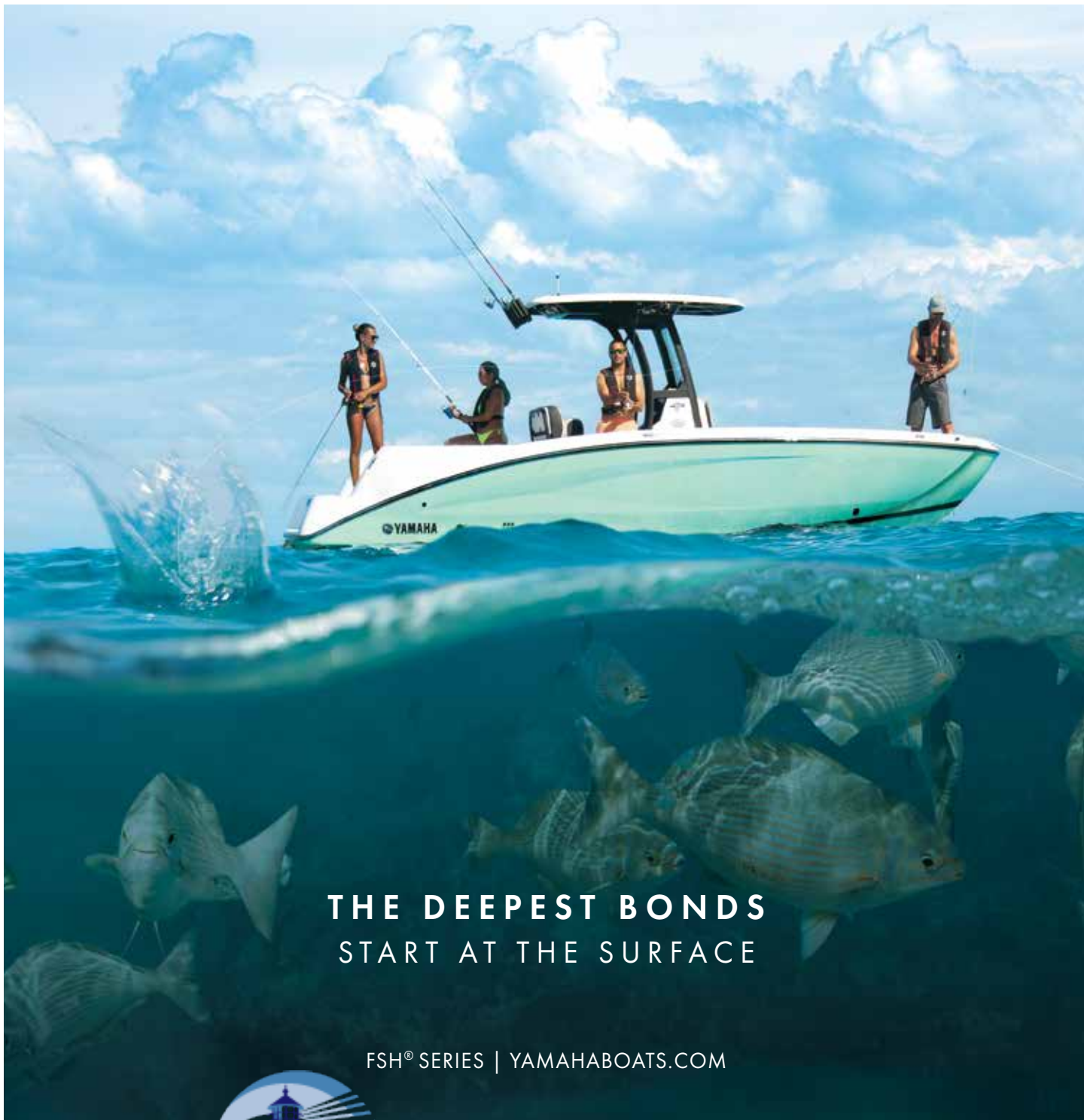
You might ask, and rightly so, what all this has to do with boating.

Well, whether you love 'em or hate 'em dogs are part of the family and not only spend time with us at home and in the office but on our boats as well. And much like our kids growing up, they need to be acclimated to a boating lifestyle. I allow, in fact, encourage people to bring their dogs on the boat. But my first question is always, "Can they swim?" Seems straight forward enough. My dogs, for example, live in the water. During the summer, they swim in the creek and then jump into the pool to rinse off since they are not allowed in the house with dirty feet. My son's previous dog wasn't a Retriever but an English Bull Terrier. He was all teeth and muscle and couldn't swim, though he tried a few times. It's important to know because I've seen dogs jump overboard for no apparent reason. They may have

smelled or seen something unnoticeable to us humans.

A dog may have been your best friend and lived with you for years but you still don't know what they think is a game or something serious. People have fallen overboard, and their dog, thinking it was a game, just jumped in after them. Anything thrown overboard, like a Life Ring to a flailing swimmer, is just one more thing for a retriever to retrieve. Something to keep in mind when you're on a big sailboat that can't just turn on a dime and pick up a wet dog. I know most dog owners who have waterdogs don't give it much thought, but, as silly as it seems, for a dog that doesn't swim, they make excellent life jackets in all sizes. Most dog breeds, big and small, have been bred to chase, herd, or retrieve. When their instincts kick in, it doesn't

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OPEN FOR BUSINESS

BY TIM SHERMAN



There is no doubt that largemouth and smallmouth bass are two of the most sought-after gamefish species in the United States. Many a dollar is spent by anglers on tackle, boats, and accessories to participate in the sport. There are different levels of participation. You have average Joes who fish when they can, to top-level fishing pros who make a living on national tournament trails.

The top-tier tournament trails that run multiple-day tournaments boost the economic coffers of the towns that host them. Cecil County and the town of North East have hosted several such events over the last two decades. The three years of 2009, 2010, and 2022, saw Bassmaster Open tournaments. In October 2018, a Major League Fishing BFL Regional tournament came to town. The most prestigious event was the Bassmaster Elite tournament in August 2015. The Bassmaster Open series returns again this July, from the 23rd to the 25th.

Cecil County Tourism Manager Sandy Turner said, "We are thrilled to host the Open! Multi-day tournaments are an economic engine for the county and town." An estimated 200 plus fishermen will be in town for those three days, spending money on lodging, food, fuel, and other essentials. They will arrive at least three days prior for official practice days. Many anglers have already been scouting the area prior to the off-limits time that starts on June 22.

Fans of pro bass fishing are sure to come to the weigh-in. The Open Series has moved their tournament days to a Wednesday through Friday format. Turner realizes that weekday weigh-ins do not draw a huge number of spectators like events held on weekend days, though many

of those who do attend take advantage of the County's restaurants and attractions.

Sandy puts tremendous effort in the background when bringing the Open to town. She is in constant contact with BASS officials, North East town officials, fire and EMS services, and Anchor Marina – the launch facility for the event. The town of North East provides the use of the North East Community Park for overflow trailer parking, the pre-tournament meeting, and the weigh-in site. They also provide temporary docking for anglers during the contest at the town dock.

There is an incredible amount of logistics, on Turner's behalf, to roll out the proverbial red carpet for the anglers. Her advertising efforts started much earlier this year with the County's presence at the Greater Philadelphia Boat Show in March. As the tournament grows closer, Sandy will increase social media presence, and signage and banners throughout the county and town.

The weigh-in and pre-tournament meeting site at North East Community Park takes a lot of planning. The county and town provide refreshments for competitors at the meeting and behind the scenes as they weigh in their bass. Turner also has to arrange for the grand stands, rest facilities, and trash removal from the site. She also has to be available any time of day during the event should coordination issues arise.

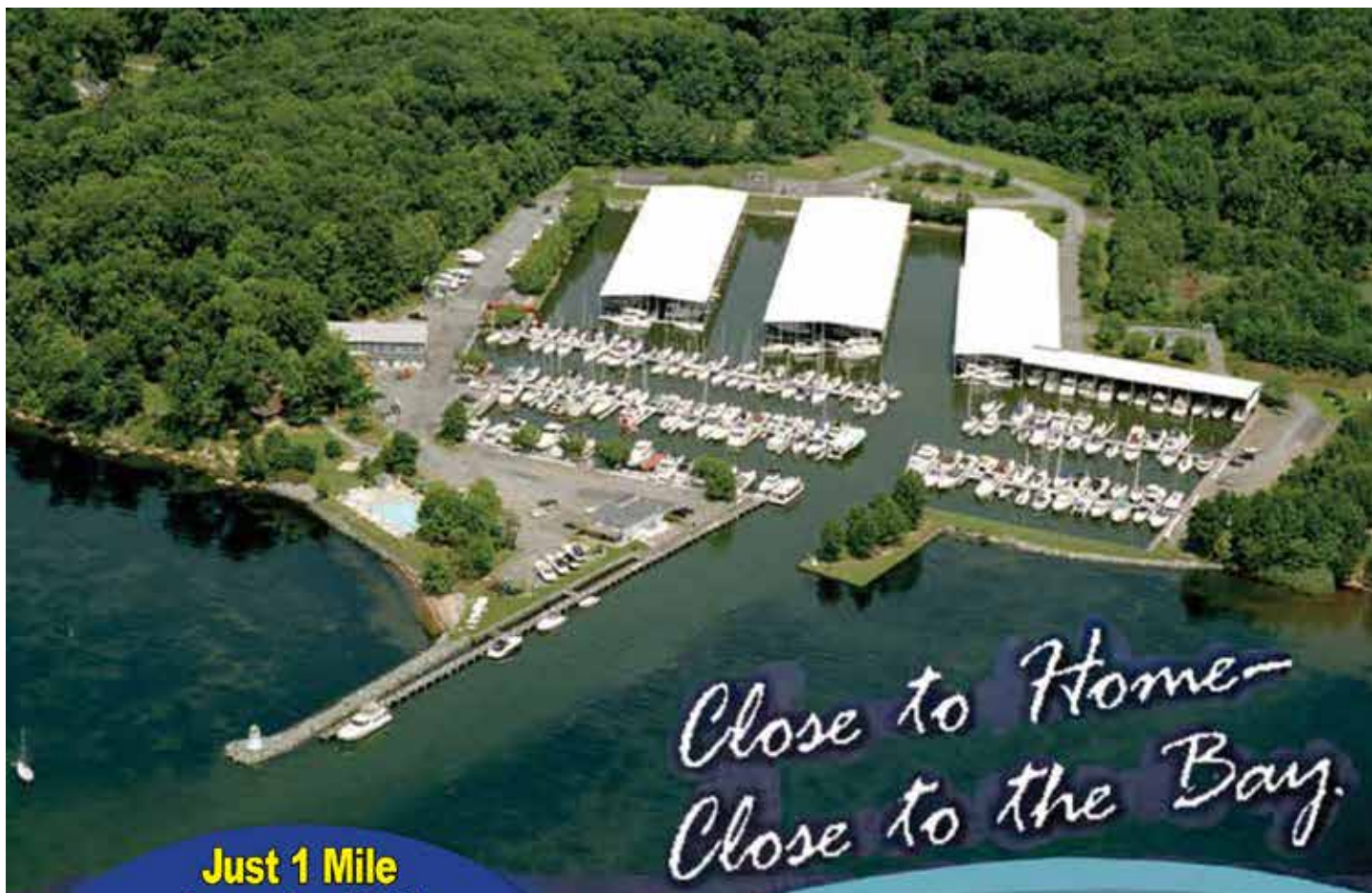
While the anglers and spectators bring economic benefit to Cecil County and North East, the upper Chesapeake's bass fishery also finds benefit. Scott Sewell, Conservation Director for Maryland BASS Nation, realizes that a 3-day tournament with upwards of 200 anglers puts

an enormous amount of fishing pressure on the fishery. During the 2022 event, Sewell convinces BASS to tow a release boat full of bass from North East to Middle River. Those fish were released as a restocking effort in the southern end of upper bay's bass fishery. He is working with Maryland Department of Natural Resources and BASS officials to make similar arrangements throughout the upper Chesapeake during this year's Open.

Local competitors are pleased to have the Open. Grae Buck, a touring bass pro from Green Lane, Pennsylvania, is competing on the Open trail this year. The upper Chesapeake is the biggest bass fishery nearest to his house. He won't have near the travel concerns as he's had for other events. He is excited to put in the prep work for the tournament. Having history on the water is a plus, knowing he can make quick adjustments in patterns and/or locations should his primary plans falter.

Johnny Duarte, a Middle River native now living in South Carolina, also fishes pro-level events. He's excited to come north, spend time with his family, and fish the waters back home. He feels that the Susquehanna Flats and Northeast River will be major players in where the fish are caught. Knowing that, he can use his vast knowledge of the upper bay to find quality bass in areas that other competitors have not found.

Big time bass fishing returns to the upper Chesapeake in July. The Bassmaster Open will leave economic benefits to North East, Cecil County, and the state. Distributing bass back to the vast areas of the upper bay will improve the entire fishery. Hometown anglers feel a sense of pride with big bags of bass at the weigh-in.



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Rock Hall Brewing Company

By Kimberly Ann



Have you heard the news? A new brewing company, Rock Hall Brewing Company, is coming to Rock Hall Main Street this summer!

If you are familiar with Rock Hall and the Main Street area you have seen the vacant buildings there. The building most notable for Old Oars and with the boat sticking out of the second floor has been vacant for about 15 years now. You might have wondered why the building has been vacant for so long? Well, over the years the building had fallen into such disrepair that everyone interested in the space was scared off by the estimated cost of repairs needed.

But in 2024 Project Restore 2.0 awarded the town of Rock Hall and Main Street Rock Hall a grant of \$300,000; and Main Street Rock Hall identified three historic buildings to be renovated providing retail and service opportunities for residents and visitors.

The iconic building at 5781 Main Street was awarded funds from that grant and now it will open in summer 2025 as Rock Hall Brewing Company.

When I spoke to Bill Ashmore this month, he was excited to talk about how Rock Hall Brewing came to be. His wife, Valerie Ashmore,

owner, has been a craft beer enthusiast for many years but the decision to open Rock Hall Brewing came more from her desire to take this local legend of a building and bring it back to life. She really wants the character of the building to shine as a brewhouse directly in the center of the reinvigorated Main Street district.

When the brewhouse opens they will start with contract brewing collaborations, which will allow her to open within the grant's required time frame and still allows her to bring top shelf craft brews to the table for us, while she continues to work on staffing, licensing, planning and construction of an on-site brewing facility.

Because the renovations have been so extensive initially only the first floor will be in use. Bill explained to me that basically each wall had to be raised up and replaced due to the extensive decay. It has been a long but worthwhile process.

As the renovations have been underway Bill has had residents stop by and share with him their memories of the building over the years. One afternoon while Bill and his brother-in-law, Shane Alikakos, of Alikakos Construction, were outside working another contractor rode by and stopped to tell them what a great job they

were doing with the building. They got to talking about the boat cabin that sticks out of the building and the significance of it.

That iconic boat is the bow of the Reuben James, belonging to Mr. Charles "Brother" Jacquette. Mr. Jacquette was one of only 44 survivors of the U.S. Reuben James, the first U.S. Navy ship sunk by enemy action in World War II. When Mr. Jacquette returned home to Rock Hall, he built his own boat named the Reuben James. When Mr. Jacquette passed in 1985 the boat was disassembled and the bow was placed on the second floor of 5781 Main Street, which was Old Oars at the time.

The contractor took some measurements and promised them a great quote. Well, that quote was \$0.00 and Scott Preacher, of Preacher Construction, told Bill he just wanted to be part of the project and that he was not interested in payment. The boat was completed within a few days and looks FANTASTIC.

With the renovations of the first floor coming down the home stretch keep your eyes and ears open for the grand opening of Rock Hall Brewing Company this summer. And of course, when you go let them know you heard about them in **Upper Bay Boating Magazine**.



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The Wonders of Worton

One of the very first places we explored here on the Northern Chesapeake was Worton Creek, and if you don't know this little gem, you need to add it to your sailing destinations. Situated just north of the busy beach at Tolchester and the commercial zone of Fairlee creek, Worton is a wonderful stopover.

Like many of the creeks and rivers that feed the Chesapeake, Worton creek has an inner and an outer side. The wide mouth of the creek is a wonderful anchorage in calm weather. The northern side of this, protected by a tree-lined bluff, makes for a nice stopping place, with a sandy bottom with good holding (though we did manage to pull up part of an old steam boiler—listed on some maps—with our

anchor at N 39 19.807, W76 8.56). N 39 17.44, W 76 10.166 will put you right in the middle of the bluff, with wonderful bird watching and fishing, and be ready for some of the most spectacular sunsets you've ever seen.

West winds, though, can create a “ride 'em cowboy” situation at anchor at times. In that case, follow the markers into the inner part of the creek. Pay attention if you draw over about 3' as there can be some shifting. The inner part of the creek is peaceful, with good holding, a good eight feet of depth outside the channel, and well protected by a tree line. Here you'll also find a fuel dock, marina services, and some limited supplies at the two marinas there.

As with the mouth of the creek, observing

wildlife here is a major draw, along with peaceful nights. Try anchoring around N 39 16.760 W 76 10.279, which we found was far enough away to not be hassled by comings and goings of the two small marinas, but still with enough depth to accommodate our keel.

Worton is a great starting spot for any extended trip, and a great last respite before heading home. Right in the middle of the North Chesapeake, everything is in range and being able to get fuel, water, and supplies is an additional plus. Add it to your list of must visits.

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COLD WATER IMMERSION

Our Cub Hill Boy Scout Troop was canoeing the Gunpowder River. We all had sturdy aluminum Grumman 17-foot canoes. Some of the adults had boating experience but the younger Scouts were still learning.

We picked a Spring weekend when the Gunpowder was in run off, high, muddy, and cold. Our departure point was below Cromwell Bridge Road and our final take-out was supposed to be Route 40. Between Belair and Philadelphia Road was Pots Rocks Class 3 rapids. The water was fast and formed a haystack and a waterfall that sent our canoes into the air. It was like we were shot out of a pipe. There was no escape. Troop 772 was sunk, wet, and cold.

My brother and I were fine until we hit the water. The canoe submerged and we were in the freezing cold water. When I surfaced, we were many yards downstream. I still had my paddle and was using it as a staff. The "Ripple Runner", our canoe, came drifting by so I grabbed it.

We gathered our gear and helped the others that swamped. No one was injured, everyone was scared, and we were all soaked and freezing. The Scoutmaster quickly built a big fire, and we tried to warm up. One Scout ran down the bank to see how close Philadelphia

Road was. He returned and said that it was not too far. We boarded our wet canoes and paddled to the road. The bar was open, so we were able to get warm and wait for our shuttle trucks to regroup and meet us.

That experience was the coldest adventure that we had experienced. I am sure that we were all hypothermic and at serious risk. We were all safe and fine because we chose to survive! No Scout wanted to disappoint their brothers. No Scout leader wanted to lose a Scout.

The Chesapeake Bay watersheds are freezing cold in the Spring and early Summer. Ironically, many Hypothermia events happen when people get wet on days that are 60-70 degrees, but the water is still cold.

Boating is not without risks and accidents do happen. If you are wearing clothes, gear, have health issues, an unplanned submergent event could kill you. Also consider getting the best life vest available. Anticipate getting wet when around the water.

The clock is running when you wind up in cold water. It will take the first minute to get your breathing under control. Avoid panicking and swallowing water when you are gasping for air. Fainting, cardiac arrest, and panic are common reactions.

Cold water will gradually steal your strength. After 10 minutes, meaningful movement and swimming become difficult. Even strong swimmers can be in shock. Extremities shut down as your body tries to save the core areas. Concentrate on saving yourself first. If possible, get to land or back to the boat. Put on the life jacket, if not already on, and start signaling for help. The Bay is not a lonely place, and sounds carry well on the water.

It can take an hour before you lose consciousness. Keep moving and signaling for help. The life vest will help to keep your core areas warm. Without a life vest, you could pass out and drown.

Circum-Rescue Collapse can happen at any time. A sudden loss of blood pressure can occur without warning. The victim can faint, fall, or have a heart attack. Look for any other injuries. Move slowly and carefully. Place victims in a fetal position or lay them down and cover them with whatever you have.

Everyone reacts differently in a crisis. After 30 minutes, Hypothermia will begin to take over and makes smart choices unlikely. Have a plan and make it happen.

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Joseph “Joe” Walter Smith

Joseph “Joe” Walter Smith, 85, passed away on April 15, 2025, following a short illness.

Born in Washington, D.C., Joe was the son of Herbert and Margaret Smith. He is survived by his beloved wife of 61 years, Ann, and their four daughters: Jamie Capel (Dublin, OH), Robin Dillon (Galena, MD), Tracy Henry (Darren) of Stow, MA, and Mandy Collins (Cache, OK). He is also survived by seven grandchildren and three siblings: Rita McKendrick (Carlsbad, CA), Peggy Tregoning (Union Bridge, MD), and Leo Smith (Galena, MD). Joe was preceded in death by his sisters, Pat and Kathleen.

Joe and Ann began their married life on Maryland’s Eastern Shore, moving to the town of Millington in 1964. With a tireless sunup-to-sundown work ethic, Joe launched and led three successful businesses over four decades. He began by purchasing 50 acres of land to establish his dairy farm, Joleo Farms, which he grew to a herd of 125 registered Holsteins. In the early 1970s, recognizing a need in the landscaping industry, he began collecting tree bark from local sawmills, grinding it into mulch, and delivering it across



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After selling the dairy herd, Joe wasn’t content with slowing down. He took on a new challenge—purchasing Sassafras Harbor Marina in 1992. What started as a marina quickly grew under Joe’s leadership into a multi-faceted operation including boat slips, a service shop, a marine store, and a yacht brokerage. Sassafras Harbor Marina became one of his greatest passions—a place where he combined his love for the river, business, and the boating community. Joe took particular joy in welcoming both sea-

sonal slip holders and transient boaters to the Sassafras River. Even at an age when most retire, Joe remained dedicated to working every day. He was at his best when building and growing thriving businesses.

Joe had a deep love for family and was a lifelong supporter of community and civic life. He had a passion for politics and was always engaged in the conversations that shaped his community. His strong Catholic faith was central to his life. He was a devoted member of St. Dennis Catholic Church in Galena, where he served as a lector, Eucharistic minister, catechism teacher, and member of the Parish Council.

As a youth, Joe was active in 4-H, a tradition he passed on to all four of his daughters, who were active members of the Kent County 4-H program. Joe remained a strong supporter of the Kent County 4-H Association for many years. He was also active in the Kent County Holstein Club and the Georgetown Yacht Club.

Joe was a big supporter of the Upper Bay Boating magazine and was one of the first loyal supporters to join us back in 2015

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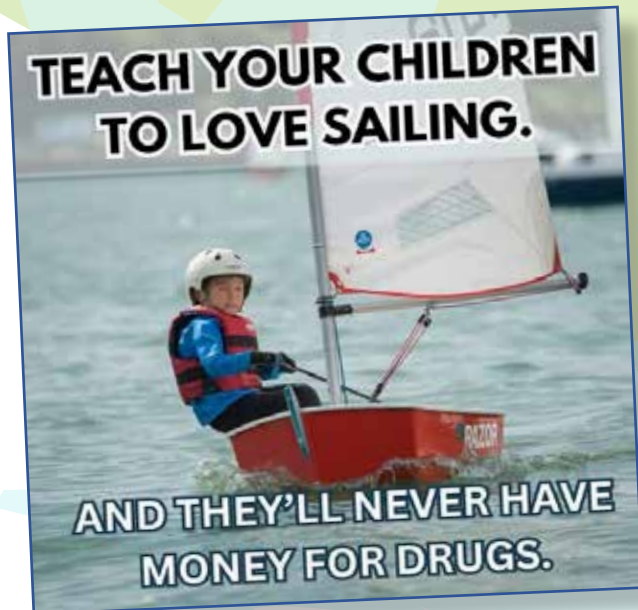
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3. Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.
4. It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.
5. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.
6. When I say, "The other day," I could mean any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.
7. I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.
8. I had my patience tested. I'm negative.
9. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.
10. When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.
11. I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.
12. I run like the winded.
13. I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.
14. When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"
15. When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery?
16. I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.
17. When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."
18. Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.
19. Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.
20. My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb.

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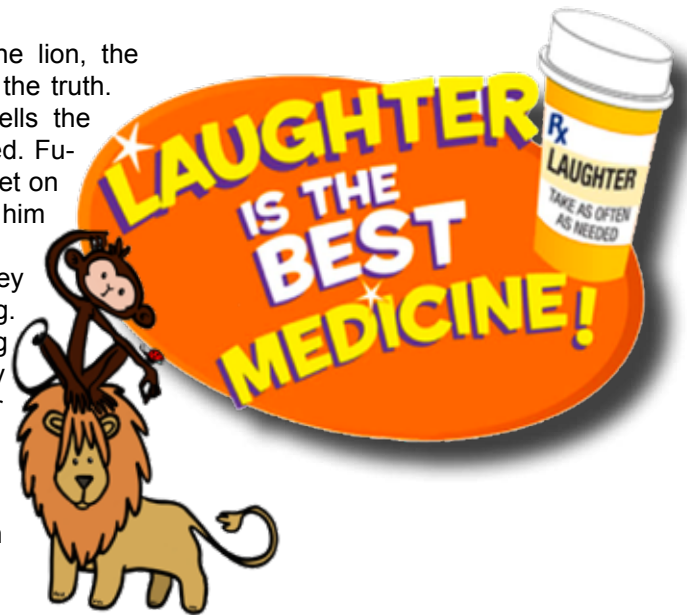
The lion starts rushing toward the dog menacingly. The dog notices and begins to panic, but just as he's about to run, he spots some bones nearby. Thinking quickly, the dog loudly exclaims, "Mmm... that was some good lion meat!"

Hearing this, the lion abruptly stops in his tracks and thinks, "Whoa! This guy seems tougher than he looks. I better leave while I still can." The lion retreats cautiously.

Up in the treetops, a monkey witnesses the entire scene. Realizing he

could gain favor with the lion, the monkey decides to spill the truth. He swings down and tells the lion what really happened. Furious, the lion growls, "Get on my back! We'll deal with him together!"

The lion and monkey rush back toward the dog. Spotting them, the dog panics again but quickly comes up with another idea. He shouts loudly, "Where the hell is that monkey? I told him to bring me another lion an hour ago!"



As a butcher is shooing a dog from his shop, he notices a \$10 bill and a note in the dog's mouth that reads: "5 lamb chops, please."

Amazed, he takes the money, puts a bag of chops in the dog's mouth, and quickly closes up shop to follow him.

He watches in awe as the dog waits for a green light, looks both ways, and trots across the road to a bus stop. The dog checks the timetable and sits on the bench. When a bus arrives, the dog walks to the front, inspects the bus number, and hops on.

Dumbstruck, the butcher boards too, following the dog as the bus travels to the suburbs. After a while, the dog stands on his back legs, pushes the "stop" bell, and gets off. The butcher follows closely.

The dog runs up to a house, drops the bag of lamb chops on the doorstep, and backs up. He takes a big run and whap! slams into the door. No answer.

The dog repeats the process—slamming into the door several times—then jumps on a wall, circles the garden, beats his head against a window, and jumps back down, waiting at the door.

Finally, a big guy opens the door and starts cursing and shouting at the dog.

The butcher, furious, runs up and yells, "What the hell are you doing? This dog is a genius!"

The owner replies, "Genius, my ass... it's the second time this week he's forgotten his keys!"

A man walks into a bar.

The bartender asks "Why the long face?"

The man replies "I just found out my wife is sleeping with another man. I've decided I'm going to drink myself to death."

The bartender looks shocked and says "I'm sorry I can't help you kill yourself."

The man asks "Well what would you do in my situation?"

The bartender puffs himself up a bit and says "If I found out a guy was sleeping with my wife I wouldn't sit around feeling sorry for myself, I'd kill the guy."

The man jumps up from his stool and shouts "That's a great idea! Thanks!" and runs out of the bar.

A couple of hours goes by and the bartender is starting to get nervous when the man walks back into the bar with a smile on his face.

"Did you kill the guy?" The bartender asks nervously.

"Nope! I slept with your wife. Whiskey please."



Carl is in the 10th year of a life sentence when he gets a new cell-mate, Jim.

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"You see," Carl begins, "for the first five years I was in here, I trained my digestive system to follow my command. Now, I can eat something, and it comes out broken down into its components."

Jim looks skeptical but intrigued.

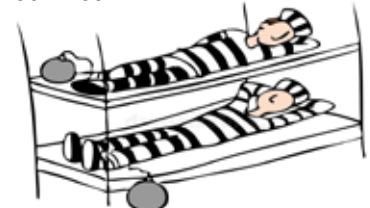
Carl continues, "For the last five years, I've been swallowing pieces of my uniform. It's perfect because the guards just think it's rats chewing on it."

Confused but curious, Jim asks, "Well, what does that have to do with me? How can I help?"

Carl explains, "The pieces of fabric come out as individual fibers. By this time next year, I figure we'll have enough to fashion a rope to climb over the wall. I just need you to tie the fibers together."

Jim, thoroughly disgusted, exclaims, "You have got to be kidding me!"

Carl grins and replies, "I sh*t. You knot."



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The proliferation of regional boat builders made affordable boats accessible to many middle-class families. The late 1950s could be considered the true birth of recreational boating.

Marinas expanded during this period of growth. Facilities were upgraded, and new features and services were introduced. Travelifts replaced railways, and gas docks were added to many marinas.

The Bay attracted families from across the region. Boaters from Philadelphia found their way to the Eastern Shore. The upper Western Shore became a haven for metropolitan Baltimore and south-central Pennsylvania. South of the Bay Bridge became the domain of suburban Washington.

By the early 1960s, thousands flocked to the Bay to enjoy its many offerings. Fishing, crabbing, swim-

ming, skiing, and sailing awaited young families. On Friday evenings in the summer, marinas were packed with moms, dads, and kids looking forward to the weekend's activities—experiences the whole family could share. These were the moments that created memories to last a lifetime.

The importance of socializing was not to be overlooked. In the evenings, piers were abuzz with boat-to-boat visits. Youngsters gathered together, and lifelong friendships were formed.

Families discovered that the Chesapeake was a body of water unlike any other in the United States. Boaters didn't have to travel far to enjoy a wide variety of vistas. Within a half-day of boating, they could visit bustling cities, quaint towns, serene tributaries, or the group's favorite swimming and fishing holes. Adventurous families could spend a week exploring the myriad rivers and creeks and all they had to offer.

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Scott Borowy JET SKI RACER



By Kimberly Ann



This month I had the pleasure of speaking with Scott Borowy a local captain and jet ski racer. Scott grew up in the Perry Hall area and his family had a shore house in Fort Howard where he was able to be on the water from a young age. One year after a family vacation to Florida, where his uncle had a jet ski, Scott's dad, Steve, purchased one for the family and a racer was born. Scott started racing first, then Steve, followed by sister (Jill King), and then mom (Mary) got in on the action. Scott has fond memories of summers spent traveling to races. One summer the family put about 35,000 miles on their motorhome attending races in Canada, Arizona, and crossing the country two times over. He feels that racing as a family sustained him and made him as successful as he has been. He always felt it was a "WE" thing and not a "ME" thing and that always motivated him to do his best.

The format for these races is one in which racers race across buoy-marked courses on open waters, lakes, or rivers, reaching speeds over 85 mph for roughly 10-15 minutes each race/heat. This design keeps the competition

fierce and allows the spectators to be close to the action. If you have never seen a race, check out Money Pit Creations on YouTube to for some incredible drone footage.

Scott has many accomplishments in racing but the one he is most proud of is helping to bring back the women's runabout class. Kelly Ferguson, Scott's girlfriend, decided to give racing a try in this class, and fell in love. She has become an inspiration to other women who may not have had the courage to start in such a physically and mentally demanding sport competing with the men.

Another huge highlight for this racing family will happen this year when Steve returns to racing after a 25-year hiatus and competes as the oldest racer, age 80, at Watkins Glen.

Scott travels a lot for races and at this time the closest race is 5 hours away and the farthest is about 12 hours away -- just six miles from the Canadian border. Scott is actively working on plans to get racing back here in the Bay Area and as insurance regulations have changed Scott sees this racing

style coming back in the near future. Scott fondly remembers the great set up at Rocky Point State Park. The racers would stage right on the beach and fans had clear views of the races.

Scott loves promoting the sport in a positive light wherever and whenever he can and has great relationships with his neighbors in Fort Howard. The kids in the neighborhood often come out and watch him practice.

Scott also wanted to give a shout out to Dean Mays, from Anderson, SC, home of beautiful Lake Hartwell. Dean was Scott's engine/builder for many years and even though Scott had taken a step back for some years, when he re-connected with Dean it was like they had never been apart. And that is just one more thing Scott cherishes about the sport -- the friendships made and the support the racers and crews give to one another.

So, if you see Scott out and about or practicing in the Fort Howard area, show your support for bringing jet ski racing back to our area and let him know you heard about him in Upper Bay Boating Magazine.

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Hosted by Passion 4 Pavement
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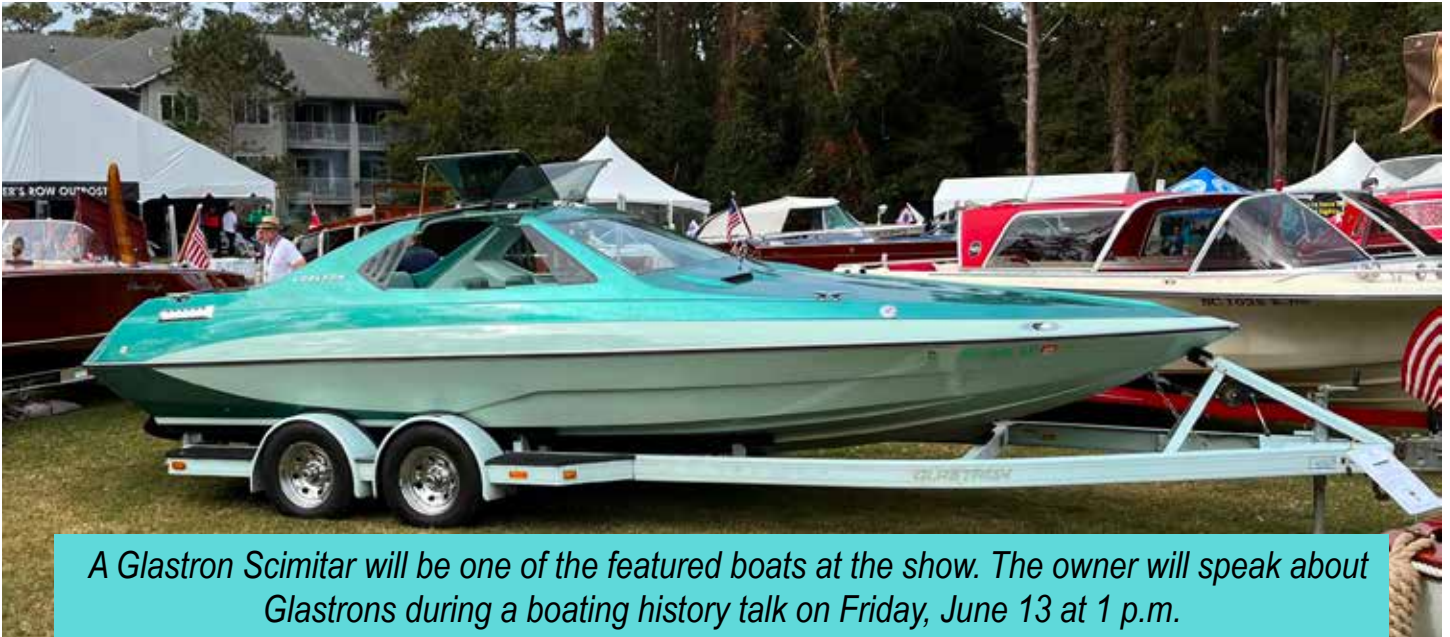
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37TH ANTIQUE & CLASSIC BOAT FESTIVAL AND COASTAL ARTS FAIR



A Glastron Scimitar will be one of the featured boats at the show. The owner will speak about Glastrons during a boating history talk on Friday, June 13 at 1 p.m.

ST. MICHAELS, MD. – “Boats Made Popular through TV and Film” is the theme of this year’s 37th Annual Antique & Classic Boat Festival and Coastal Arts Fair at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum (CBMM). Vintage sport boats such as Glastron Scimitar (*Moonraker*), Chris Craft (*On Golden Pond*), Thunderbird (*Flipper*), Hacker (*Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*), and many more classic and antique boats will be on display at this year’s festival.

Traditionally held on Father’s Day weekend, this three-day event to take place June 13-15, 2025 is sponsored by The Antique & Classic Boat Society (ACBS)-Chesapeake Bay Chapter. It is one of the largest classic boat shows in the Mid-Atlantic region.

More than 100 cruisers, runabouts and racers (wood as well as pre-1997 fiberglass and metal boats) will be displayed both in water and on land. Additionally, there will be a Field of Dreams of classic or antique boats for sale.

Throughout the day, families can stroll the 17-acre CBMM campus to view these extraordinary boats and talk with their captains, as well as purchase unique works of maritime arts at the juried Coastal Arts Fair. In addition, there will be a nautical flea market, children’s activities, free boat rides on Sunday, and a variety of boating history talks and exhibits from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (see sidebar for full details).

TOPICS ON FRIDAY ARE: “Army & Navy Rescue Boats of WWII – Legacy of *McHale’s Navy* & *Sea Hunt*”; “Coastal Contraband: Prohibition and Rum Running Off Chesapeake Bay”; “Boats for Spies and Secret Agents: Glastron’s Scimitar and Siblings”; “SHOW BOATS: From Chesapeake Floating Theaters to the Movies!”; and “Chesapeake Boats on Screen – Owens (Donna Reed) & *CruisAlong* (I Love Lucy).”

SATURDAY’S TOPICS ARE: “Boats of James Bond Movies – Lyman to Glastron and More!”; “World War II PT Boats – Elco, Huckins, and Higgins”; “A Place in the Sun – Gar Wood, Chris-Craft & Century in Movies”;

Rare & Interesting Classic Inboard Boats that are Flying Under Your Radar”; and “Donzi vs. Bertram – Giants of Offshore Racing.”

SUNDAY FROM 11 A.M. TO 3 P.M. at CBMM’s Fogg’s Landing, there will be a special exhibit, “Before and After Boats: Side-By-Side,” featuring unrestored boats next to finished classics of the same type. Restorers will offer advice on how to turn a daunting boat project into a cherished classic. There also will be a special presentation and tasting on “Today’s Bay Seafood” from 1-2 p.m. by Nick Hargrove, owner and president of Tilghman Island Seafood.



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Juried artists and craftsmen who want to reserve a 10x10 vendor space may register by May 15 at chesapeakebayacbs.org/vendors. The cost is \$100-\$125 for the three-day event. For more information, contact Kathy Jones at whitebird1955@gmail.com, 302-803-9159.

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For more information about the show, email chesapeakebayacbs@gmail.com or call Boat Show Chairperson Kathy Jones at (302) 803-9159.

ACBS-Chesapeake Bay is one of the 57 U.S. & Canadian chapters of The Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc. and has more than 200 members enrolled representing more than six states. The Chesapeake Bay Chapter welcomes individuals and families who share a common interest in antique and classic boats. It hosts numerous member activities and sponsors the Antique and Classic Boat Festival in St. Michaels, Md., every June so members can meet, share experiences, exchange information and expand their knowledge of historic, antique and classic boats – both wood and fiberglass. Its objective is to generate enthusiasm for all aspects of members' interest in sustaining, maintaining and preserving antique and classic boats. To learn more about ACBS-Chesapeake Bay, visit the website and follow the chapter on Facebook.



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FRIDAY, JUNE 13:

11 a.m.: "Army & Navy Rescue Boats of WWII – Legacy of *McHale's Navy* & *Sea Hunt*." Featuring Ted Yadlowsky, IT Consultant and WWII & Korean War Historian

Noon: "Coastal Contraband: Prohibition and Rum Running Off Chesapeake Bay." With Pete Leshner, Chief Historian & Ambassador at Large, CBMM

1 p.m.: "Boats for Spies and Secret Agents: Glastron's Scimitar and Siblings." Special session with Randy Cunningham, Retired Architect and Boat Collector

2 p.m.: "SHOW BOATS: From Chesapeake Floating Theatres to the Movies!." Presented by Erin Bone Steele, Theatre Historian & Director, Chesapeake Shakespeare Co.

3 p.m.: "Chesapeake Boats on Screen – Owens (Donna Reed) & CruisAlong (I Love Lucy)." With Steve Izant, Former Hospitality Exec & Boat Restorer, Hermosa Beach, CA

SATURDAY, JUNE 14:

11 a.m.: "Boats of James Bond Movies – Lyman to Glastron and More!" History of 007's Watercraft with Bond fan Holly A. Tompkins, Land Consultant

Noon: "World War II PT Boats – Elco, Huck-ins, and Higgins." Featuring special guest Samuel J. Cox, RADM, USN (RET), Director of Naval History, Naval History and Heritage Command, Washington, DC

1 p.m.: "A Place in the Sun – Gar Wood, Chris-Craft & Century in Movies." Presented by Gary Van Tassel, Marine Engineer and Classic Boater

2 p.m.: "Rare & Interesting Classic Inboard Boats that are Flying Under *Your Radar*." Presentation by Lee Wangstad, Classic Boat Columnist, Nisswa, MN

3 p.m.: "Donzi vs. Bertram – Giants of Off-shore Racing." Featuring Chris "Seabuddy" Brown, Author and Popular Boating Historian

SUNDAY, JUNE 15:

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.: "Before and After Boats – Side-by-Side Exhibit." See '40s-'70s unrestored boats next to finished classics of the same type (Chris-Craft Special Runabouts, Larson Thunderhawks, Whirlwinds, Century Coronados, Switzer Craft Shooting Stars, Glastrons, and early 20th C. Canoes and Launches.

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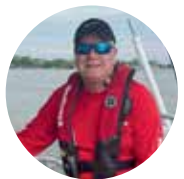
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Dog Days OF BOATING CONTINUED...

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matter whether or not they can swim. I watched my son's Bull Terrier jump off my dock to catch a Blue Crab that crawled off the dock while we emptied crab pots. Luckily, we were there. He sank to the bottom faster than the crab.

Something else to keep in mind. Dogs are like us in a lot of ways. They need to eat and drink. It's funny when it comes to drinking, dogs drink in proportionate to their size. Small dogs drink small amounts but often. Big dogs just drink a lot all the time. Dogs don't sweat; they drool. And on a hot boat in the summer, they drool a lot. Remember, tail wagging is good. Tongue wagging is bad. If your dog's tongue is hanging out and seems it is as long as its body, it's probably time you find Fido some water and shade, or you'll have a deck full of slippery slime. And when it comes to eating, small amounts of food that are easy on a dog's stomach are preferable. Many dogs have sensitive stomachs, and it's advisable to bring along some food the dog is used to. Resist the urge to give your dog leftovers from the local Crab House. A drooling dog is nothing next to a

dog pooping and puking, especially on a nice clean boat.

If your boat is set up for fishing, make sure you know where all the hooks are. And they aren't buried in some bait that might seem like a little appetizer to your hungry canine. Funny how a dog with a sensitive stomach can't resist eating a piece of rotten bait. One of my girls will follow my wife around while she's riding her horse and eat horse pucks all day. But for dinner, I have to feed her a special dog food that costs more than prime sirloin steak. Go figure.

Something else I've learned over the years, with people and pets. We all have certain personalities. But they change with our environment and how our bodies cope with our surroundings. Our mood swings from happy and pleasant when everything's hunky dory to Cujo when we're feeling ill. And when we're feeling hot or tired or sick, we're not too fun to be around. Our pets are the same way, and we should take them out on short jaunts until we know how they react to being on a boat. Please don't take that new puppy on

a trip around the world. You may be sorry. I got a retriever puppy once I intended to hunt. At 6 months old, I took him on my Center Console to see the fireworks in St. Michaels. He slept through the whole thing. Fantastic! I learned he wasn't gun-shy and didn't mind being on the water. Years later, I did a similar voyage with my next hunting dog. I learned she WAS afraid of loud noises and wasn't really all that excited about boats. She spent the evening hiding between my legs while throwing up her dinner on my shoes.

I see lots of dogs on boats. And for the most part, everything seems to be going great. I encourage everyone to take their furry friends as often as possible. Just take it slow and be thoughtful, no mindful of them. I've always said that when we take kids fishing, "If the kids are happy, everyone is happy." It can be the same for our pets. Safe boating.

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The Pearl of the Chesapeake

by Kimberly Ann



As the weather is getting warmer and we start planning our summer boat trips let's head over to "The Pearl of the Chesapeake", Rock Hall, Maryland. Rock Hall is easily accessible by water from just about anywhere along the bay and going from Middle River to Rock Hall is a distance of only 20 nautical miles. By land the trip will take a little longer at just under two hours depending on your starting point, traffic dependent, of course.

But no matter how you get there you will find a plethora of things to do no matter who you are traveling with.

Once docked or parked you are able to navigate the town by bike or by walking. You can start your visit at the Rock Hall Visitors Center, grab an ice cream, grab some pizza, find unique gifts and clothing, and also check out a musical artist or two at Mainstay.

Rock Hall has a lovely family beach where you can swim, picnic, build sandcastles with the kiddos, hunt for shells and sea glass (especially if you are a crafter like me), or just relax and enjoy the view. I suggest bringing a

comfy chair and your favorite book. You may see some paddleboarders or kayakers, as well as some pretty cool boats going by. The beach and water adjacent to it are the best places to catch the beautiful Rock Hall sunsets.

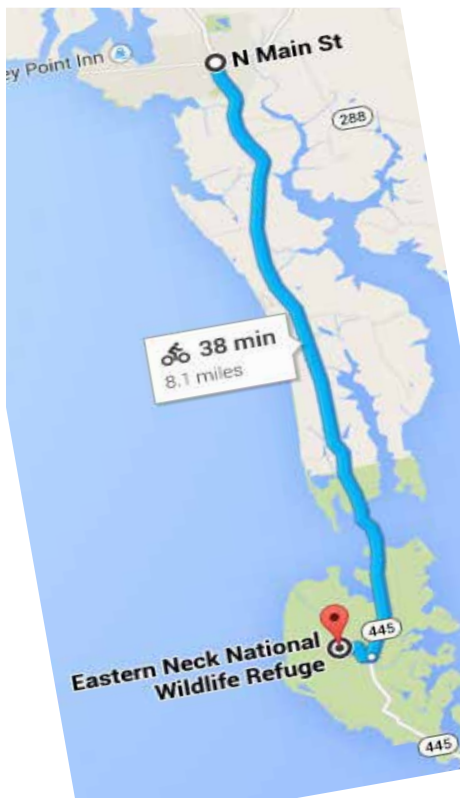
If you are looking to spend some time in nature there are hiking and biking trails at Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge. This nice flat ride is about 16 miles roundtrip and don't worry there are several bike rental locations throughout Rock Hall.

There is live music each weekend at Harbor Shack and Waterman's Crab House so bring your dancing shoes, though flip flops and crocs are welcome.

If you are looking for some exceptional food Rock Hall is a great place to be. From pizza and wings at That Place on Main, to crabs on the deck at Waterman's Crab House & Dock Bar, to Admirals Beachside Bar there are so many delicious restaurants to choose from.

And the activities are endless too. There are rockfish tournaments hosted by the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company coming up in June, a Junior Regatta in July, Pirates & Wench's weekend in August, a Scrapple Festival and Car Show in late August, a triathlon in September, FallFest on Main Street - in early October, and Witches of Rock Hall Weekend the weekend before Halloween.

So, whether you get there by land or by water just get there. You won't be disappointed! And you can always check out the Rock Hall Maryland webpage at www.rockhallmd.com for more information about things happening around town and information on where to dock/park for the day or weekend.



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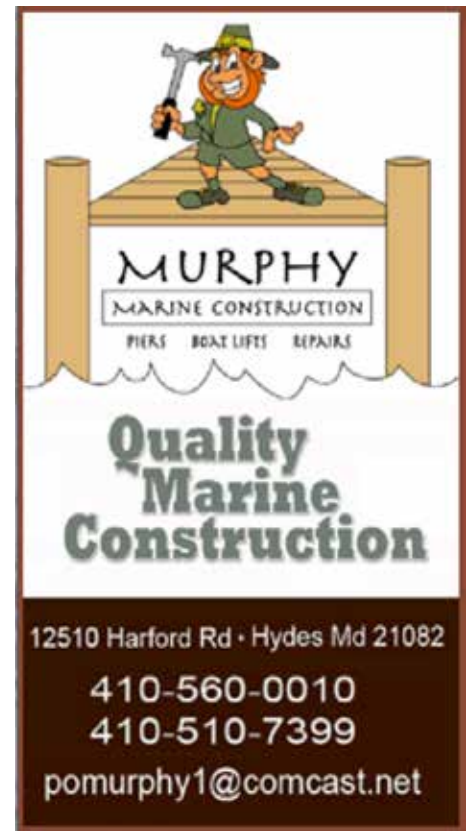
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So, what are you dreaming about doing with your boat this year? All boat owners, of every size and style, have dreams about adventure, relax-

ation, and boating fun. Different boats have different purposes. They are like potato chips; you cannot just have one.

The worst thing a boat owner can do is to never use their boat. If you wait for just the perfect day, you will rarely enjoy floating fun. The whole purpose of buying a boat is to use it and enjoy it!



Try building your Bucket Lists using a visual organizer. Think about the different ways that you want to use your watercraft and hoist up some ideas.

FOOD Chesapeake Bay waters offer many fun eating destinations. Cruise to the best crab shacks, beach bars, and shoreline restaurants.

FISHING Seasonal fishing or hunting means that you can catch or hunt different species at different times. Rockfish may be the most famous, but the Bay is stocked with many other wonderful and tasty finned delights. Waterfowl and deer hunting on public areas can be rewarding.

CRUISING Plan a trip that cruises where others have been. Practice your navigation skills. Ask your crew where they would like to visit.

HISTORY Follow the sailors that have traveled to the Bay before you. Learn and discover their stories and remember these past events.

RENDEVOUS Connect with your nautical friends. Meet at a beach, mooring, marina, or fishing hot spot.

HOLIDAYS Join the holiday parties on the water. Make special traditions to enjoy this time with friends and flavors of the events. Enjoy fireworks at the 4th, from the water.

STARS Stargazing at night on the water is the best. You can see every constellation, view meteor showers, and be away from the light pollution of the city. There is a great star app that you can get on your cellphone to name every celestial feature.

CAMPING Using your watercraft to venture to a Bay Campsite is great fun. It may be a canoe ride or a more modern power/sailing adventure. You may camp along the shores, an island, or on an anchorage.

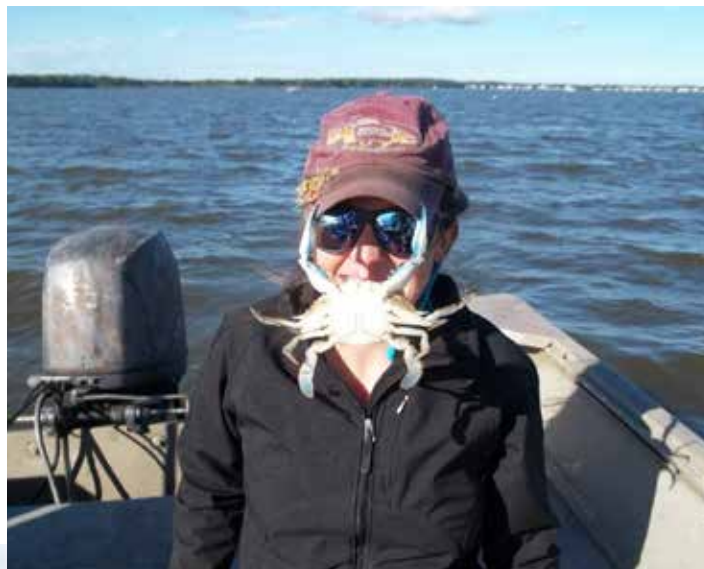
NAVIGATION CHALLENGE Take turns teaching your crew how to navigate the Bay and use your boat. Prepare and plan challenges with rewards to make these trips fun and educational.

SEAFOOD SEARCH Catching your own crabs, mussels, fish, oysters, and clams is a fun way to fill your bellies and days with the Bays bounty.

WATERSPORTS There are so many watersports to try. Skiing, swimming, snorkel, scuba, and other wonderful ways to float and enjoy the Bay wild and wet fun.

The best part about boating is the memories that you make when afloat.

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Volunteers Making a Difference on Earth Day and Every Day



Earth Day, officially on April 22 each year, was established in 1970 to raise awareness about Environmental issues. Many organizations recruit volunteers and businesses for cleanups or educational fairs on this day, but what about the rest of the year? Please volunteer to help year round.

There will always be people who are oblivious to environmental issues, but fortunately there are many others who do care and make a difference by volunteering to cleanup stray trash to enhance the quality of our waterways and surrounding environment. During “Earth Day” week, MWF worked with volunteers from local businesses at Baltimore Peninsula in Baltimore City and along the Eastern Blvd Business corridor in Essex, Baltimore County. While it was the first time volunteering for some, most had given their time and energy in the past and will be out again with our organization or another in the future.

MAG Partners recruited volunteers from *Republic Services*, (including our publisher, Jim High’s wife, Kisha Soth), financial advisors from *Sagamore Ventures* and more to meet and clean up trash along the shoreline in front of *Sagamore Spirit Distillery* at the newly established Baltimore Peninsula.

The Essex Community Development Corporation also worked jointly with MWF to recruit volunteers, including local residents, business owners and political representatives. Senator John Salling is seen in the photos below working with Essex Middle River Civic Council President, Josh Sines, cleaning up trash behind the CVS. Other local business owners included Tony Pearce, State Farm Insurance and Sam Weaver, Weavers Marine Service, retrieving a mattress from the Park & Ride. Altogether, the combined two days of cleanups amounted to just over 7,000 pounds of trash, mattresses, tires and logs picked up by volunteers to help improve our neighborhoods and waterways.



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