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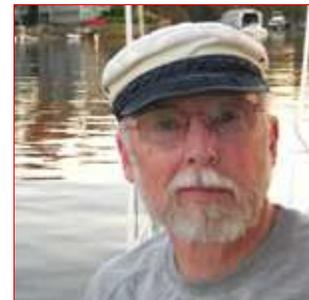
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It's still cold. In fact, it's snowing (again!) as we speak. It sounds a lot like I'm claiming SAD (you know, Seasonal Affective Disorder - the affliction that makes denizens of Seattle all grouchy because the weather is so lousy there). Of course, that's only if you think about the weather too much. So don't.



Okay, enough with the whining.....

While January did see some fine wining, (Is that a word? Probably not, but it should be ☺), we got weathered-out of our February do. Sue and I were going to have hosted the party last month but, alas, it wasn't to be. But V/C Liz has planned an outing at a local eatery for the middle of March, so we're still in the game. We offered to host the March party at our house, since the February get-together didn't happen, but Liz had mercy on us - turns out we have a cruise (celebrating our 39th anniversary ☺), a birthday party (Susan qualifies for Medicare this week!), a bathroom overhaul, an overnight grandkidsitting gig, some out of state guests for a weekend, and a dinner party to host in the two weeks before the CSC event. We're not so good at that whole boundary

thing, I guess. So Liz is probably right. We were probably stretching it to spring for another party. O'Loughlins Restaurant it is! And then comes April.....

Fleet Captain Mary Jo has some exciting boating plans sketched out for the coming season. (When it finally gets here! I know, I know; I promised to stop whining about the weather. And I will - as soon as it stops giving me a reason to!) The schedule will provide enough flexibility to allow for some tweaking along the way, which is good since you never know about weather and such. It would be really great if we could see more folks along for the weekend and even the longer cruises this year, especially some of the folks we all know who are new to sailing. Please encourage those you know to get their feet wet in the cruising lifestyle! (Okay, maybe that's a lousy figure of speech to use, but you know what I mean.)

Hope everyone has had a pleasant enough winter, snow and all. It has been a good time to sit back and really appreciate the fun times we had last year and to look forward to again in the months ahead. Hope to see everyone at O'Loughlins on March 16th and catch up with how the CSC family is doing!

Vice Commodore's Report

Liz Cingel, *Southern Lady*

Winter is not over because we have more snow predicted but I am sure everyone is ready for warm weather and boating. Although we have had more than our share of snow this winter it has not stopped those of us who stayed home this winter from getting together. We have two more land parties scheduled - on March 16 we will have dinner at O'Loughlin's Restaurant in Arnold at 5 PM. Frank and I recently had dinner there and the food was delicious. If you plan to come let me know since I will make the reservations. In April we will go to Eastport Yacht Club for dinner and our hosts will be Janet and Dave Ewing, date TBA.



In July we will have dinner at a restaurant - come by car or boat. I will find a restaurant that has a marina for those who would like to plug in if the weather is too warm. I'm checking out restaurants on the western shore. On August 16 we will meet at Belvedere Yacht Club for our annual business meeting and picnic with fried chicken and homemade side

dishes, desserts, soda, beer and wine. Slips are available so let me know if you plan to come by boat as we get closer to that date.

We will have the annual crab cake picnic at the Sailing Emporium marina on September 27 and we will have the same caterer former Vice Commodore Glenn Whaley used last year. I heard the crab cakes were delicious. After reading this article do you have the idea that as much as we like to go sailing we also like to eat?

Think Spring , warmer weather and boating.

Fleet Captain's Report

Mary Jo Harris, *Circe*

Ahoy, fellow CSC'rs. No one in the North East can even believe that Spring will come this year. March is, indeed, coming in like a roaring lion. I hope that means all of this harsh winter nonsense will soon be behind us.



Last month I sent out a rough draft of a proposed cruising schedule. Here it is again if you didn't get a chance to review it and give me your feedback. Remember, I had suggested that we leave the two big holiday weekends open so that we can just get together on an informal basis or join one of our other cruising clubs. I will be the contact point, so if you decide to cruise, or if your club welcomes guests, please let me know, and I will send an email to the rest of our members and tell them where and when to meet and/or RSVP.

One personal change that affects only *Circe* is that I will have to take a late start to the new Dog Days of Summer Cruise (new to the schedule this year). I hope there will be a lot of interest in this get-away which I have planned to start right after the August 16 Picnic at Belvedere. I will still plan to go sailing, but a cycling opportunity in Tennessee prevents me from starting before Monday, August 18. If my sailing companions don't get too far out ahead of me, I'll catch up!

The rest of the cruise schedule will go as follows:

- MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND (optional, TBD)
- SPRING CRUISE, JUNE 14-24 Destinations to be centered right here in our own Middle Bay. With generally short travel days, we

will ply the waters from the Severn to the Little Choptank and the Choptank, and plan a couple of days in Cambridge where we will enjoy small town life and some good meals ashore.

- MIDSUMMER DINNER CRUISE, in conjunction with the club's summer restaurant meet-up in July (somewhere on the Western Shore). TBD

- NEW EVENT. LATE SUMMER LONG CRUISE TO DESTINATIONS IN THE SOUTHERN BAY As we learned last year (as though we didn't already know this), sailors are at the mercy of wind, heat, rain, thunder storms, currents, and general ennui. After setting out from our home ports (or leaving the day after the club Picnic on Saturday 8/16), and getting together a day or two later in the Patuxent - maybe this year we will actually get up river to Vera's White Sands - we will plan our travels to destinations further south a day or two at a time depending on the weather. Perhaps we will return to the Tangier Sound, maybe Tangier Island for a night. A trip back to Onancock is always fun. Or.....the Rappahannock awaits with interesting anchorages and a possible visit to Urbana to check out the City Docks and visit town and restaurants. Tentative dates are August 16 to 31. If other CSC members who didn't attend this cruise wish to sail together over Labor Day, we can meet them for the weekend on our return to home ports toward the end of this cruise.

- LABOR DAY CRUISE, Optional - TBD

- FALL CRUISE, SEPTEMBER 13 - 21 in the Northern Bay. Perhaps this time we will be lucky enough to actually anchor off Captain Dave's quarters above the Rt. 13 Bridge for a night.

- COLUMBUS DAY FROSTBITE CRUISE, OCTOBER 11-14 After a Thursday or Friday visit to the boat show, let's get out there Saturday morning and do some real sailing. We might return for a relaxing fall weekend in the Chester River.....or maybe we will go to the Wye with a night in St. Michaels.....we'll see!

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