Welcome
to
The Catboat Association's
55th Annual Meeting
Friday Evening, January 27th, 2017
through
Sunday Morning, January 29th, 2017
at the
Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa
Groton, Connecticut; Route I-95; Exit 88

Feature Presentation
Adventures in Marine Journalism
Mary South
Editor-in Chief of Soundings
Reservation Form for the CBA's 55th Annual Meeting

The ticket price of $50 per adult for this extraordinary meeting includes:

- Friday access to Mystic Seaport (group rate, mention Catboats)
- Friday 3:00-4:00 tour of the historic Mystic Seaport Shipyard
- Welcoming reception event (Friday evening) with Cash Bar
- Access to all Seminars, Workshops & Sideshows
- Admission to the All-Catboat Vendor Boat & Resources Show
- CBA Bookstore, CBA Gift Shop & on-premises Starbucks
- Guaranteed seating for Feature Presentation
- Book signings by your favorite CBA Authors
- A gourmet, three-course lunch (precedes the Feature Presentation)
- Sociability Gam (Saturday evening) with Cash Bar

(Children 15 years old and younger are only $10 each)

**Reservations must be received no later than January 6th, 2017**

(Reservations made after that will cost $60; The CBA cannot guarantee availability due to limited seating)

To secure a reservation, either register online at catboats.org or fill in the form below, clip it out and send it and your check to:

**Catboat Association**
c/o John Greene
4 Anne Circle
Sandwich, MA 02563-2523

Make your check payable to: Catboat Association, Inc; PLEASE! No telephone reservations.

Note: Do not use the envelope supplied with this mailing for reservations. It is for your Annual Dues.

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Your Name: ________________________________
Street Address: ________________________________
City, State and Zip: ________________________________
Phone: ( )

Number of Tickets ( ) @ $50 each = _________________
Children (15 & Under) ( ) @ $10 each = _________________
Dietary restrictions: ________________________________
CBA 55th Annual Meeting Agenda

Friday, January 27th
10:00am to 4:00pm  Mystic Seaport – Experience the entire Seaport with group rates.
3:00pm to 4:00pm  Mystic Seaport – Shipyard tour (meet at South Entrance).
6:00pm to 8:00pm  Welcoming Reception & Members’ Slide Show; Nibbles and Cash Bar
8:00pm to Whenever Free to explore local restaurants (the hotel can provide a list of local places)

Saturday, January 28th
8:30am  Registration
8:30am to 11:30am  Sideshow & 3:30pm to 5:00pm  CBA Experts of all stripes stand ready to advise on a number of topics.
- Apps Booth; Bring your smart phone or tablet and load ’em up
- Book Signings (Publications Table)
- Race/Rendezvous Scheduling
- Use of the Marriott’s swimming pool; Great for kids of all ages.... And more!
- Special discount at the Red Door Spa for Catboaters (All Weekend)

8:45am to 10:00am  Catboating for Beginners (Salon F)
The Peterson Brothers will demonstrate the basic elements of sailing a catboat. This workshop is geared to those who are truly new to catboating and wish to learn the ropes.

8:45am to 10:00am  Catboat Racing and the Sandpiper (Salon E)
Who better than Charlie Adams of Marshall Marine to share his knowledge of racing and the intricacies of one of the finest production cats ever built, the Marshall Sandpiper.

10:15am to 11:30am  Insuring Your Catboat (Salon F)
Insurance industry expert, catboat sailor and CBA member Ed Meaney returns this year with his informative, not to be missed, truths about all kinds of insurance and how they relate to your catboat.

10:15am to 11:30am  Safety at Sea (Salon E)
We are very pleased to have Henry Marx of Landfall Navigation back to share his vast knowledge of safety at sea. This seminar will cover all aspects of safe sailing.

Noon  Annual Meeting Lunch and Business Session
1:30pm to 2:30pm **Feature Presentation**

**Mary South, Editor of Soundings**
Come listen to Mary South describe her vocation and avocation, writing about all things on the water. Mary has spent over 25 years in the publishing business working as a book editor, publisher and now editor-in-chief at Soundings. Prior to Soundings, she was also editor-in-chief at *Yachting Magazine*. She is the author of *The Cure for Anything is Salt Water* (HarperCollins, 2007). Her adventures have taken her around Cape Horn, from Florida to Maine on her steel trawler, as crew on the Clipper Around the World Race and to the South Pacific, the Amazon River and the Mediterranean, to name a few.

3:15pm to 4:30pm **Diesel Engine Maintenance, Troubleshooting & Care (ACRS Room)**
Diesel experts from Old Lyme Marine discuss care and maintenance of small diesel engines. This is an interactive seminar, so bring your questions and share your own tricks for smooth running with the assembled group.

3:15pm to 4:30pm **3rd Annual Storyteller’s Workshop**
Your CBA Editorial Board hosts this lively discussion about bulletin contributions. Come meet the CBA Editorial Board and learn how to write, photograph and illustrate your catboat story or adventure. The annual CBA Editorial Board Award winner will also be honored at this meeting.

5:30pm to 7:00pm **Sociability Event** (More Nibbles and Cash Bar)

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**Sunday, January 29th**

8:30am to 10:00am **Osterville Historical Society** – The story of the catboat, one of the pillars of the Crosby boatbuilding legacy. Come and view archival photos and film celebrating America’s oldest active wooden boatbuilding family. Presented by OHS, home of the Crosby Boats. (Donuts and coffee served)

10:30am to 1:00pm **CBA Steering Committee Meeting**

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**Lodging**

Many catboaters arrive Friday afternoon and stay until Sunday noon.

Join us and take full advantage of the weekend’s activities.

*The Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa* guarantees us a block of rooms at the INCREDIBLY LOW GROUP RATE OF $114/ROOM/NIGHT. The Mystic Marriott is a beautiful facility with regular room rates around $350/night. Please take advantage of this great value and spend a night or two. Great shopping and dining are just a short ride away in downtown Mystic, CT to the East and in New London, CT to the West. If you have interest, reservations **MUST** be made before 4:00pm on Monday, January 6th, 2017: Call (866) 449-7390 and identify yourself as a participant in the Catboat Association’s Annual Meeting to qualify for the discounted rate.