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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Dec 2018 — Jan 2019

**Sun, December 2**  
*Holiday Party*  
Weeburn Country Club, Darien

**Fri, January 18**  
*MeetUp*  
Bistro Mediterranean & Tapas Bar, Norwalk

**Sun, January 27**  
*Annual Brunch/Lunch*  
Osteria Romana, Norwalk

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**December & January Birthdays**

- Caryl Bate  Dec 3
- Roger Blaho  Dec 3
- Tony Reyes  Dec 4
- Harris Leinwand  Dec 5
- Dawn Daly  Dec 13
- Susan Anderson  Dec 28
- Tommy Zagaroli  Jan 2
- Mel Klugman  Jan 5
- Carolyn Barney  Jan 9
- Joanna Romersa  Jan 9
- Ginny Cameron  Jan 15
- Donna Wade  Jan 24
- Larissa Friedenberg  Jan 25
- Julie Prescott  Jan 25

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**Volunteers of the Month**

Thank you to members who have volunteered to coordinate events for the 2019 Season:

- January Brunch – Ronnie Ross
- After Work Party – Aija Klebers
- Castoff Party – Tom Zagaroli
- Pot Luck Dinner – Gayle Eagan & Cindy Scanlon

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2019 SUS Renewal Applications will be sent via email in mid January.
Dear Members,

As the year comes to an end, I reflect on how grateful I am to be part of this organization. During the year I’ve made new friends and became closer to others. I’ve shared smiles, sailing adventures and laughter with many of you. While I look forward to the coming year, I remember those who won’t be joining us on life’s sailboat anymore. I am honored to have met them and will remember them each time I set sail.

During the holidays we can still enjoy the greatest gift this organization provides to us, the gift of friendship. It is a time to reach out and connect with the people you’ve met and laughed with during the sailing season. During the winter time, we should be reaching out to one another and making sure we are doing fine. Call one another during those cold days and start planning social outings with one another. It is a perfect time to review and renew life's bucket list.

In closing, I quote Sir Francis Drake "It is not that life ashore is distasteful to me. But life at sea is better."

Happy Holidays,

Tony

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**Vice President’s Message**

Leisa Bell

**Nominating Committee Update**

The committee submitted the following slate to the Board for approval at the November Board Meeting. Congratulations to:

- Treasurer: Chip Munk
- Secretary: Karen Ferris
- Membership: Teresa Nilla
- Commodore: to be elected at January Skipper’s Meeting

Special thanks to Aija Klebers, Joanna Romersa and Mike Smith who are retiring from the Board.

**Tis the season of giving – please consider volunteering for one event!**

- Are you willing to step up to organize the February Dinner Meeting at a restaurant? We generally gather for drinks and appetizers with an option of staying for dinner.

- Speakers are an integral part of SUS educational opportunities. A few members have volunteered to find a speaker for one of our Program Meetings. Do you know a someone who would make a presentation on a subject that would interest our members?

- Ideas for new events are always appreciated. Some suggestions include a beach party, barbeque, new meetup ideas. If you are willing to plan a new get together.

- Volunteering is critical to the success of our club. Please consider helping!

You may contact me at vicepresident@singlesundersail.com.

Happy Holidays!
Food For Thought ... and Sailing

Leisa’s Corn Bean Salsa

Contributed by Leisa Bell

A favorite on SUS sailing events

INGREDIENTS

3 ears of corn
1 green bell pepper, diced
1/2 cup red onion, diced
1 15.5 ounce can black beans, drained and rinsed
1 tablespoon parsley flakes
1 tablespoon white vinegar

DO YOU HAVE A RECIPE TO SHARE? Please send in your recipes for a quick meal, special appetizer for happy hour or just a favorite snack. Sharing stories, friendship, camaraderie and food are all part of what makes SUS such a special sailing experience and keeps us coming back. Let’s create a file of crew favorite recipes!

3 tablespoons lime juice
1 1/2 teaspoons cumin
1 teaspoon iodized salt
1 teaspoon ground black pepper
1/2 - 3/4 cup olive oil

DIRECTIONS

1. Grill the corn for 2-3 minutes on each side until corn is cooked. Remove from the heat and allow it to cool at room temperature for 5 minutes until it is cool to the touch.

2. Once the corn is cool, cut the kernels off the cob and place them in a large bowl. Discard the cobs.

3. Add the diced bell pepper, diced onion, black beans and parsley flakes.

4. Pour the vinegar, lime juice, cumin, salt and pepper into a small bowl.

5. Gradually whisk in the olive oil.

6. Mix the vinaigrette into the corn mix and add salt and pepper to taste.

Variations: add chopped tomatoes, avocado, olives, tricolored peppers, fresh parsley

Next year, I want to encourage all members to submit articles, notes, recipes, and photos to share with SUS membership in The Masthead. Send your contributions to newsletter@singlesundersail.org

And, please think about helping SUS with programs and parties. Consider getting together with a friend to help plan and host one of these events.

Thanks for your help and support.
Singles Under Sail along with Escapades and Greenwich Club

 Invite you to The Holiday/Christmas Gala at Wee Burn Country Club

Sunday, December 2, 2018 * 5-9 p.m.
410 Hollow Tree Ridge Rd. * Darien, CT 06820 * 203.655.1477

The fun begins at 5! You will enjoy the music of Summertime, the 6 piece band, while starting your evening with the passed hors d’oeuvres. Cocktails and wine of your choice at the cash bar are available. While mixing and mingling with the many guests, decide if you’d like to sit with old friends, or be adventurous and sit with someone you have just met (and might want to get to know better?)...while your 3 course chicken dinner is served. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Early Bird Special Price for all: $65.
Checks postmarked after Friday, November 23 or payment at the door: $10 extra.
Please make out your check to Singles Under Sail, and mail it BEFORE November 21 to:
Aija Klebers, 51 Willowdale Avenue, Port Washington, NY 11050 aijaklebers@yahoo.com 516.993.0588 (include your email and phone number on your check)

After November 21 you will not have a confirmed reservation unless you guarantee payment and get a confirmation number. Your guaranteed reservation cannot be canceled after NOON, November 26.
Walk-ins will be accommodated on a space-available basis.

Fully staffed coat check. Black-Tie Optional.

DIRECTIONS:
SOUTH ON I-95: Exit 10 - Noroton Ave Exit. At the end of the ramp, bear left onto Ledge Rd. At the first traffic light, turn right onto Noroton Ave. At the third traffic light, turn left onto Middlesex Rd. At the first stop sign (4 way), turn right onto Hollow Tree Ridge Rd. Follow Hollow Tree Ridge Rd to the stop sign, straight across the intersection from you is Wee Burn.

NORTH ON I-95: Exit 10 - Nororton Ave Exit. Go left at the end of the ramp onto Noroton Ave. At the 4th traffic light, turn left onto Middlesex Rd. At the 1st stop sign (4-way), turn right onto Hollow Tree Ridge Road. Follow Hollow Tree Ridge Road to the stop sign, which is straight across the intersection from the club parking lot.
Save the dates for

Two Great

January Events!

Friday, Jan. 18 – Meetup at Bistro Mediterranean & Tapas Bar in Norwalk

Sunday, Jan 27 – Annual brunch/lunch at Osteria Romana in Norwalk with Unlimited Mimosas and Bellinis!

More information to follow in early January