



SOUTHERN MARYLAND CHAPTER – MSA – MARCH 2009

FISHING FAIR: The annual chapter Fishing Fair will be the weekend of March 28 & 29, 2009 at the Solomons Firehouse. We will have over 75 vendor spaces featuring the latest in fishing lures, rods, reels, and supplies for the upcoming fishing season. In addition we will have boat dealers showing their products for those who are interested looking over the 2009 boat and motor options.

CHAPTER WEBSITE: In January the chapter unveiled our new website www.mssasmc.com. We have been spending the past months adding additional material and refining existing content. In the future this site will be the primary method of communicating with the chapter membership. Each month we will post information about our next chapter meeting and provide information about other upcoming chapter events. We also suggest you check the site once a week for fishing reports and photos of the latest catches. You may send your fishing reports and photos as an email attachment to President@mssasmc.com

CHAPTER MEETINGS: Always the third Thursday of the month, pre-meeting at 6 pm and general meeting at 7 pm.

March meeting: Speaker – Lee Samson

Topic - Fishing the Surf

April meeting: Speaker – Capt. Kyle Johnson

Topic – Fishing The Chesapeake Bay

ANGLER OF THE YEAR – 2009: Gary Hennig, our 2008 Angler of the Year, will be running the 2009 competition. Gary has expanded the program with additional species, more locations, and methods of reporting your catch. All the details for the “Angler Of The Year” are posted on our website or may be obtained from Gary at our chapter meetings. Participation costs \$10.

CHAPTER YOUTH FISHING ACTIVITIES: Again this year the chapter is planning a number of fishing activities for the youth of the Southern Maryland region.

July 8, 2009 – We need chapter members with their boats to take campers from the Greenwell Foundation Summer Camp fishing on the Patuxent River.

July 17, 2009 – The chapter will be managing the fishing for the St. Mary's County Department of Recreation and Parks “Hooked On Fishing” event at Point Lookout State Park. For this event we need about twenty-five chapter members to work with the children.

July 29, 2009 – The chapter will be co-sponsoring the first Greenwell Foundation week- long fishing camp at Greenwell State Park. This camp will provide children with five days of fishing activities, which will include a morning on the Patuxent River. We will need members and their boats for a morning of fishing. Check the website for further details and additional youth fishing activities.