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2006-07 Lecture Series

Lectures held at 2000 hrs. in the theater of Severn School, Severna Park MD

***Saturday, December 2, 2006 – Bruce Schwab, racer and 2-time circumnavigator**
First and only American to officially finish the Vendee Globe Race.



Bruce Schwab – First American ever to finish the ultimate sailing and endurance test – the Vendee Globe Race (2004-05), a solo, nonstop sprint around the planet. In doing so, he set the American solo around-the-world record of 109 days, 19 hours, and 59 minutes. Schwab has now logged over 100,000 ocean miles and established himself as America's most accomplished solo sailor.

In February 2005, aboard his Open 60 *Ocean Planet*, Bruce Schwab sailed across the finish line in Les Sables d'Olonne, France and into the record books as only the second American to complete a solo, non-stop circumnavigation (following Dodge Morgan in the 1980's). Even if you're not a racer, this energetic sailor's multi-media presentation is engaging and engrossing.

Bruce is a poster-boy for hard work, dogged determination and a never quit attitude that symbolizes what America stands for... By sailing smartly and conservatively he outlasted some of the great names in solo sailing and will go down in history as one of the best solo sailors in America. --Brian Hancock

*Experience a multi-media presentation by American sailor Bruce Schwab and you will feel like...you've sailed on his boat *Ocean Planet*, surfed at breakneck speed in the Southern Ocean, pounded into confused seas in the Bay of Biscay, sailed through the fog over the finish line...been greeted by a swarm of French schoolchildren chanting "We love Bruce"...feel like you can do anything...on our own "Ocean Planet." --Clinton Chase, teacher, Poland, ME*
www.bruceschwab.com

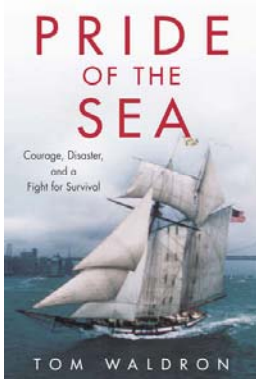
Saturday, January 13, 2007 – Bernadette and Douglas Bernon, s/v Ithaka
“The Radical Sabbatical”



She was the editor of *Cruising World* magazine for 10 years, he was a private-practice psychologist, when they bought a 39-foot Shearwater cutter named *Ithaka*, quit their jobs, sold their house, and set off on the cruising adventure that would change their lives. In six years they sailed *Ithaka* from Newport, RI, up to Canada, then down to Cuba, Mexico, and Central America. Join them through the laughter and tears, the magnificent landfalls and the fears, the boa constrictor in the cockpit, the joys and excitement. Inspiring and entertaining, the Bernons show you that if they can cut the ties to land and set off on a grand adventure, you can do it, too.

Bernadette Bernon, a seasoned journalist, has held editorial positions with *Cruising World* and *Sailing World* magazines, and was co-author of *Maiden Voyage* with Tania Aebi. She founded the Safety at Sea Institute, and *Cruising World's* Adventure Charters, which has sent over 3,000 readers to far-flung destinations. Douglas' sailing experience includes an 18-month singlehanded cruise in the late '70's aboard his 30-foot wood folkboat, *Evoro*. (www.ithakasailing.com)

Saturday, February 10 -- The Challenges of Two Prides: I and II
Tom Waldron – Author, *Pride of the Sea* (2004)



She was considered the most beautiful topsail schooner in the world and turned heads wherever she sailed. But on a spring day in 1986, the *Pride of Baltimore* and four of her crew were lost during an unforgiving Atlantic storm. The loss stunned the Baltimore region and the sailing community around the world. Baltimore writer (and former *Baltimore Sun* reporter) Tom Waldron will recount how his year-long research, including interviews with over 60 people, unearthed documents that explain why a series of decisions made over more than a decade's time led ultimately to the disaster.

<http://members.authorsguild.net/tomwaldron/index.htm>

Capt. Jan Miles – *Pride II: Dismasted and rebuilt, 2005-6*



Listen to Jan Miles, long-time *Pride of Baltimore (I & II)* captain and ship's master recount his first-hand experience as *Pride II's* mast splintered and fell to the deck in the Atlantic off the French coast, and the herculean effort required to reconstruct and re-rig the sleek Baltimore clipper to ocean worthy condition. He will also entertain us with stories of the *Pride II's* voyage back to the US, and her Great Lakes tour this season.

In his 25 years as captain of *Pride I & II*, Capt. Jan Miles has over 100,000 miles logged and his stories could fill many nights. We have but one with him, so don't miss it! Captain Miles has received numerous awards, including “Marylander of the Year” in 2001, “Sail Trainer of the Year” in 2003 by the American Sail Training Association, and Sail Training International's “Special Seamanship Award” in 2005. www.pride2.org

***Saturday, March 17 – Gary Jobson returns, just in time for the 2007 America's Cup!**

Perennial favorite, ESPN commentator Gary Jobson returns for our season's final lecture to let us in on the latest scuttlebutt about the 2007 America's Cup teams. Gary, an insider for nearly 30 years as participant and commentator, has a unique perspective on all things



“Am. Cup”.

Also, his narrated-in-person presentation will include:

- Life onboard *Pirates of the Caribbean* as she races up the Chesapeake in the 2006 Volvo Race.
- Exclusive footage from the centennial Newport-Bermuda race aboard various grand prix racers, cruisers and classics.
- Stunning footage from the 2005 Rolex Transatlantic Challenge
- Highlights from 2007 Key West Race Week
- An opportunity to “meet” Olympic aspirants from the US as they ramp-up for Beijing in 2008

Gary Jobson is active on 14 boards of directors, is the author of 15 books, and producer of 20 video films. He has received over 35 awards, from an Emmy to “Admiral of the Chesapeake Bay”, in his 35-year career in the maritime industry. Gary's wife, Janice, is a teacher at Severn School. www.jobsonsailing.com

* Please note the departure from our traditional “second Saturday of the month” in Dec. & Mar.