



President's Message

Season's greetings from blustery Lakeside!!

After some gentle prodding from Bill Maenner and Tony Apotsos, I humbly agreed to be the "younger person" to whom Joe Caner could pass the SOS presidential baton. For those of you who don't know me, I am the sailor who was wearing the Santa Claus hat during the senior Sunfish races in this year's regatta, and the strange person who sails a Force 5 instead of a Laser.

Please be sure that we have your latest contact information, especially your email address, so that we can keep in touch as we get ready for another summer on the lake.

Please also remember that the activities of our group, including sending this newsletter, depend on all of our support. For those who can't contribute your valuable time, we welcome the generous contribution of your donations. I'll talk more about what the SOS does with these donations, but suffice to say that we've seen the improvements made to the sailing area over the years, and we see the need for constant upkeep. Your donations make these possible.

I learned to sail at Lakeside – thanks, Mike Shoffner and Celeste Cook - and I hope to keep sailing there until I'm as seasoned as Joe Caner. I look forward to working with our members to continue the great work that the SOS has done over the years.

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2019 Watercraft Usage Rules

- SOS membership levels will remain at \$25, \$50, \$100 and \$720 Lifetime Memberships
- Complimentary watercraft usage begins at the \$100 membership level, after a 2-week waiting period for new members
- \$720 Lifetime Members receive complimentary watercraft usage immediately
- You must use your own watercraft first
- 1-hour time limit
- Maximum of 1 watercraft at a time
- Available for immediate family only
- Special arrangements by approval only

2017-18 SOS Projects

Here's a list of some of the projects that SOS has undertaken over the past 2 years:

- Purchase additional SUP for Lakeside rental fleet
- Annual maintenance of lakefront storage racks
- Maintenance/repair of all SOS watercraft hulls and sailboat gear
- Repair of Laser sails & purchase of 1 new Laser sail
- Stock inventory of Sunfish parts to maintain all Lakeside and SOS member boats
- 18 more kayak/SUP & 14 SUP racks

The storage racks and watercraft generate more than \$10K for Lakeside annually. 720 memberships fund the endowment for lakefront capital projects, while other contributions go to ongoing maintenance of the sailing program. Many thanks to those SOS members who donate time and expertise to keep the program running!

Leonard loved Lakeside and Lakeside loved Leonard

Leonard Tunstall joined the sailing program in 1980. For about 30 years he competed in the Mouse Island and Regattas, and probably never won a trophy. He participated in the true spirit of Lakeside, sailing, cheering for others and having fun, but he did win a few August Cups in his 27' boat. He helped with sailing in any way needed, and was a faithful volunteer at Kids Setting Sail. One of my favorite memories of KSS is when I was helping a young girl into Leonard's Sunfish. She was scared and didn't want to go, but I finally shoved them off. Upon their return, as I helped her back to shore, she said, "That was awesome!" From scared to awesome is a testimony to Leonard's quiet, gentle way with people.

Leonard was active in Lakeside besides sailing. He was grillmaster at the Wednesday Family Picnics in Perry Park, camera man at East Ohio Conferences, helped with Raccoon Runs and Lakeside plays, and led the Guy's Club Cordless Drill Team. Whenever I saw Leonard working at Hoover, sunning on the dock or walking in the park, he always had a friendly greeting and usually a wisecrack. At home, in Akron, he was active in church, softball, bowling, golf, travel, family camping and Boy Scouts. Nothing gave him more pleasure though than his wife of 64 years, Ginny, his four children, 10 grandchildren and six great-granddaughters.

To those of us who knew Leonard Tunstall, he was more than an active, fun-loving, giving person. He remains a true role model, whom we dearly miss.

~~ Bill Dudrow

