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MSSA and Boater's World

Dear Members-

It is a sad day for Maryland anglers, and the rest of the country for that matter. Long time friend and sponsor of the MSSA, Boater's World, will be shutting its doors forever in the next few months. Boater's World and its employees were a notch above the rest, always willing to help and provide support for our tournaments and chapters. So, on behalf of the MSSA we thank Boater's World and its employees for their generosity and friendship over the past 10 years.

Many of you have concerns regarding this news and the 26th annual spring tournament, "Championship on the Chesapeake." Rest assured, the MSSA tournament will go on and will in no way be affected by this closure. Our prizes will be given as scheduled in the tournament book and we will continue with all scheduled Captains' Meetings at Boater's World locations. We will post any changes that might occur on our website, www.mssa.net.

While we all enjoyed our relationship with Boater's World and their staff, we now must move on and find new friends and sponsors. While this door has closed, we will certainly open a new one. The MSSA will continue to flourish and will begin to reach out to new contacts and create new relationships.

So start getting ready and gearing up for the spring fishery, because this is going to be one of the best spring tournaments in MSSA history. With over \$200,000 in prizes and a potential \$100,000 winner, this is no doubt the richest rockfish tournament on the Bay, and the largest rockfish tournament on the East Coast.

Thank you for your membership and your confidence in the MSSA.

Sincerely,

Dave Smith

Associate Executive Director