

SISO's New Safety/Chase Boat !!!



Thanks to tremendous community support and the generosity of our donors, we were successful in our fundraising efforts and have purchased a new safety/chase boat for our youth sailing program: a brand new Boston Whaler Montauk 150. SISO's number one priority is SAFETY, and the addition of this new boat will provide the ability to respond to a variety of potential emergency situations quickly.

All boats have a name, and the SISO Board thought long and hard about a name for our new vessel. We decided to name her "Doris D", in honor of Doris Denney, a long time SISA member and a steadfast SISA supporter. Doris is a strong heartbeat within the SISA alumni, and attended SISO's first fundraising event at Spring Shores. She was acutely interested in the RS Zest student sailboats on display, and had many SISA stories to tell, as well as recalling her indoctrination to sailing on the Charles River while in college.

Doris has been a tremendous SISO mentor and observer: Doris has given encouragement and advice such as embracing SISA alumni and mailing 'printed' newsletters to our donors. She suggested a 'girls only' class and even came to Spring Shores for a day to observe.

The continuity from young to old, SISA to SISO, loyal sailing enthusiasts to donors is sealed by this naming of the new, indestructible Whaler - the Doris D. "Kind of like the Sloop John B." she said. Doris is honored and is looking forward to a christening ceremony – planned for the week of June 20th, during the All Girls Sailing Camp at Spring Shores Marina, Lucky Peak State Park. Stay tuned for details; the public is welcome to join the celebration.

Doris D. Friend of Rachel. May she ply the waters with safety and enthusiasm while being 'Always Ready' (a nod to the US Coast Guard motto, Semper Paratus).

We wish to thank all our donors, and especially the anonymous donor who so generously sponsored the matching grant for this fund-raising campaign. Thank you.