

# Merry Christmas 2005

## Baileywick Sailboat Charters

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Dear Friends and Business Associates,

It really is strange listening to the VHF radio at times and hearing marine assistance firms responding to disabled vessels, as I used to do before Solomons Marine Towing [TowBoatUS Solomons] was sold at the beginning of 2002. Time moves on. Baileywick is our bareboat sailboat charter firm. Even though we had as many as 8 sailboats under management during the 1980's, we are now in our retired stage with only 2. Segel, our red hulled Niagara 35, is a real fixture on Chesapeake Bay. She is underway some 20 weeks during the April through November season. The red Pot-of-Gold, a Rainbow 24, was converted to roller furling for the 2005 season. Our 2006 season begins with the boats ready for use April 1. Scheduling will start in February by email to all timeshare and charter customers and prospects on our email list. Please go to our website at [www.baileywick.org](http://www.baileywick.org) for detailed instructions on the scheduling process and many photos of Segel and Pot-of-Gold and other details.

For those of you who know us personally, read on to see what 2005 brought us:

- Our daughter, Roberta Bailey Roberts is on a 2 year assignment [nearly half way through it] in Costa Rica with husband Markus, son Maxwell (4) and daughter Doña (1). Roberta is the yield manager for Intel's CPU factory that manufactures computer chips. Markus is working remotely on software development for his company, Reality.com, located in Phoenix. They are enjoying Costa Rica and learning Spanish.
- Our son, John, and his family, Nancy, Jack and Cory live in Sammamish, WA. Business is going well for Nordstrom where Nancy is General Inventory Manager for Women's Apparel for the internet/catalog division. John was recently promoted to Sr. Manager at T-Mobile where he is in the Finance Operations group. Jack (10) and Cory (5) are both doing very well in school. Jack is reading at almost an 8th grade level even though he is only in 4th. He has also achieved the yellow belt rank in Karate. Cory is thoroughly enjoying Kindergarten where her favorite activities are writing and music.
- Last year we delayed our Christmas until January to be with the Roberts in Phoenix to help them pack for their move to Costa Rica. Roberta had a daddy do list for her father which dad enjoyed thoroughly. Waiting for John on his return home were new office cabinets for the family room upstairs. He was tired of traipsing from his office downstairs to see Donna in her office upstairs. He has a nice view of our driveway now. John just finished a hard drive reformat of his computer [due to repeated major error notices] in time to produce this Christmas letter. However, our web camera that uploads photographs of the docked boats is still down as a result of the reformatting of the hard drive. Our last year's card mentioned the need for new bodies and roof shingles. We were able to manage the new roof shingles but not the new bodies.
- We just returned in November from a genealogy group [450 including spouses] cruise in the Caribbean on the Carnival Miracle. Both of us benefitted from the genealogy sessions held aboard. Donna also enjoyed the casino on board. We drove to Tampa for the departure and drove back the long way. First stop was John's cousin, Dr Lay Berry. They had not seen each other since 1936. Lay is a retired surgeon in Sanibel Island, FL. Next was Donna's sisters-in-law Pat Maxwell in Hilton Head, SC, and Bonnie Maxwell in Dearing, GA. Using our new Garmin StreetPilot with the hard drive was wonderful compared to our 5 year old previous model. A little lady with an insistent voice crammed into that small enclosure on the dash gave us verbal turning directions and warned us when we were off route.
- Donna continues her genealogy work and is spending more time on the Bailey lines. She does the accounting for our company. John keeps the fleet--Segel (Niagara 35') and Pot-of-Gold (Rainbow 24') in good condition. We especially enjoy

our customers. Some have been with us from the beginning in 1981. It is much like a close club.

- Our project to digitize and label family photos going back to the late 1800's has gone well. In a couple of months we expect to produce CD's for the years 1800-1949 to distribute to our extended family.

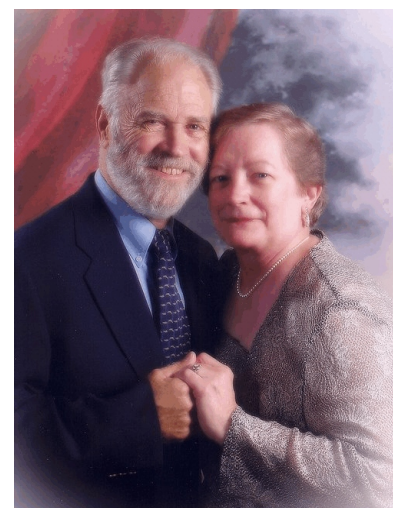
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**Merry Christmas and a Safe and  
Happy New Year!**

*John & Donna*



Segel and Pot of Gold winterized



Married 44 years and still going strong