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## CTYC 2010 Board Members

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## Greetings From The 2009 Commodore.

*Hello Everyone,*

*Can you believe our boating season has come to an end! We wait all winter long for spring and the next thing I hear is someone on the news telling me to set my clock back 1 hour. What's up with that! Just about the time that I figure I'll have to accept the season has ended my Fleet Captain Darryll comes to the rescue. 'Don't worry about it my little Crackberry Buddy,' he tells me, 'I'm the Fleet Captain and I'm extending the season to at least December 13th's Holiday Party. Thanks Captain, you always know how to brighten our day.'*



*It's been a wonderful and rewarding journey this past year serving as your commodore. I have so many people to thank. This will be the last chance I have to address all of you in the Hailer and I would like to thank a number of people.*

*About ten years ago Past Commodores' Rich Shamel and Little John along with a dear departed friend and Con Trios member little Jimmy Barlow introduced my wife Pat and I to their Con Trios Family. All of you welcomed us with open arms, a CTYC burgee and a rose. For this, my first Thank You goes to all of YOU for accepting Pat and I into your CTYC Family. I am eternally grateful!*

*I've had the privilege of serving on the CTYC board as Fleet Surgeon, Director and Properties Manager under the guidance of Past Commodores John Bicknesse, Carl Tiemann, Jim Svoboda and Tim Tighe. I Thank You!*

*In 2008 I served as your 'Fleet Captain' under the watchful eye of Past Commodore Gary Meinershagen. What a great guy! Any time I started to hit some rough waves Gary was there to get me back on course. Those of you who have been 'Fleet Captains', and those of you who will be future 'Fleet Captains' will experience a 'Special Bond' that is inherent between a 'Fleet Captain' and his Immediate 'Past Commodore'. This is the person (in my case Gary) who gives you help without reservation. There at your side to assist in any way possible. I only hope that I have been as helpful to Darryll as Gary was to me. Gary and Judy were wonderful. I Thank You!*

*Four Director/Officers of our 2009 Board who are vacating their positions are Marie Collins, Bill Brueggemann, Gary Meinershagen and (Godfather of CTYC) Sonny Robbins. I thank All of You for your Service! A Special note about Past Commodore Sonny Robbins. Every Board seems to have a need for that Special Personality that simply by their presence they Command Respect. This was Sonny. Not unlike the old commercial, 'When Sonny talked, People Listened'. I guess that's why we call him 'The Godfather'! I Thank You All!*

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*This brings me to our current Fleet Captain and First Mate Darryll and Maureen. What can I say! WE just Love these guys! As we all know these two did a phenomenal job this year. They provided us with Great 'Events' and 'Get Togethers'. The Two of them will serve as 'Commodore' and 'First Lady' of CTYC next year. They have earned the 'Right of Passage'. With Love and Respect, I Thank You!*

*Our Board for 2010 will have a bit of a new look. We will be welcoming Susan Carroll, Angie Tredway, Gary Dill and Greg Colletta. I'm confident these individuals will do a fine job. They all bring a unique perspective with fresh ideas to the table. The Best to All of You! They along with the current Directors and Officers will focus their efforts toward the success of next years 'Fleet Captain' and 'First Mate' Scott and Lisa Hickey. Scott may be a man of FEW words but he promises a big 2010!*

*Over the past year I've watched people 'Just Have Fun'. It's wonderful to watch the Fleet Captains plan fall into place. I Know Darryll and Maureen appreciate YOUR support. On behalf of our Fleet Captain and myself we thank all of the Con Trios Membership!*

*I couldn't close out my year without thanking one last very special person, my wife Pat. She has been at my side during this entire Incredible Journey. She's supportive, understanding and helpful, yet sometimes critical. She says I don't listen to her sometimes when she feels I need too, or something like that! (Past Commodores know what I'm talking about). But that's OK, you want to know why? Because she's my BEST FRIEND! Thank You Dear!*

*It's almost time to 'Pass the Torch' to your next Commodore. Somehow I'm not quite ready yet. Maybe in a month or so! I want to ride this Wave as long and far as it will take me. I Told You it's an Incredible Journey! Truth be known, I don't think Darryll is quite ready to 'Pass the Torch' to Scotty!*

*It's time to stop. Happy Holidays. Stay Safe. Great Year Darryll & Maureen. Good Luck Scott & Lisa. It's Boating Season somewhere. Thanks 2009 Board. Welcome 2010Board.  
Thank you Past Commodores. Forget that guy that said turn my clock back one hour.  
OH and by the way----- THANKS PAT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

*TILL WE MEET AGAIN!!!!!!!!!!*

*DENNY  
CTYC Commodore*

*Note from your 2010 Commodore Darryll Weil:*

*Hailer publication has been a bit behind as is obvious from Denny's comments. We will work on getting the Hailer out more expeditiously. If anyone would like to be the Hailer Editor let me know.*

*I just want to thank Commodore Denny, as well as all the Past Commodores for the help and support they gave us during our year as Fleet Captain.*

*I also want to thank the 2009 Board of Directors for all of the co-operation and support they gave all year. 2009 will go down as one of the most pleasant Boards I have every experienced. The work, thought and support they put into making Con Trios Yacht Club better for all has been appreciated by me. I would like to invite anyone that may want to see how the Board works all year to think about getting involved. It has been a most rewarding experience for me and one that I will cherish along with the wonderful friendships developed during my time on the Board.*

*I am looking forward to what Fleet Captain Scott Hickey and First Mate Lisa have in store for us in 2010. I am sure I will miss being hands on doing the events but will enjoy helping Scott and Lisa in any way I can.*

*Here is a to a great 2010, filled with much fun and friendships, and let's hope the River Gods smile upon us!*



***What a GREAT IDEA Past Commodore Tim Tighe had!***

Con Trios participated in the 30th Annual Creve Coeur Classic Drag Boat Races at Creve Coeur Lake. Besides an exciting weekend of racing for the over 100 people from Con Trios Yacht Club we shared our tent with Autism Speaks (the primary charity of the event) where they had games and such for the kids. Thanks to the St. Louis Drag Boat Association for putting us front and center on the water, the banner on the VIP Tent and the VIP tickets for the weekend for our members. Talking to our guests quite a few had never experienced Drag Boat Racing in our backyard. Safe to say most were quite impressed watching boats accelerate to 180 MPH in just a quarter of a mile.

We all enjoyed cheering on our Past Commodore John

Bicknese's boat "Kwitchabitchin" and his driver, 18 year old Ashly Ruf, daughter of Con Trios members Keith and Terrie Ruf. Ashly is the youngest female driver to be certified in a 180 MPH capsule boat! She did not win her class but she wooped a man in a grudge match after the regular racing, beating him by one hundredth of a second! Posted a few pictures on the "Photo Galleries" page of the Con Trios website. Many thanks to all that helped set up and take down our tent and tables. Friday it was Past Commodores Gary Meinershagen, Mike Ramirez, Board Members Bill Brueggeman, Mike Baisch, Scott Hickey and myself. Monday Gary, Bill, Mike Baisch and myself were back along with Past Commodores Sonny Robbins and Tim Tighe, Mike's two boys and Con Trios Member Ernie Stolze.

***Con Trios Yacht Club Luau at Grafton Harbor, July 18th, 2009***

We had a great turnout for the Luau on Saturday. Weather was a little on the coolish side so the pool toys, beach balls and water squirters, did not get much use. But, typical Con Trios party, the almost one hundred that filled the harbor with boats made it a fun day. Turned into one giant "Dock Party" on A Dock. DJ Ray played some great tunes directly from his boat poolside! How appropriate is that, we are a boating club and the disk jockey is on a boat! Joe and Jan from Grafton Harbor were wonderful hosts as always. Their staff is the most friendly and helpful you can find anywhere. Scott from Grafton's Landing kept the food going the whole time. Must have been good because there seemed to always be a line at the buffet. Many thanks to all the people that helped set up and tear down.



Con Trios Luau  
Grafton Harbor  
July 18th, 2009  
Photo by Craig

***Alton Getaway***

WOW, WHAT A TURNOUT! We had about 160 Con Trios Members and Guests at the Alton Marina for our 2009 Alton Getaway. The party started early Friday with an impromptu "Dock Party" on H Dock where most of us were docked. It was like having our own marina. After some took side trips to Tony's, Fast Eddie's, The Alton Casino, Bubby and Sissys, etc. on Friday night the party continued. Saturday morning we put up our tent and Two Mikes and a Beer began cooking. Most enjoyed a pool party in the Marina's floating pool until it came time to chow down on some fantastic ribs. After dinner we enjoyed the tunes of the Ralph Butler Band courtesy of Alton Marina where quite a few of the Alton residents joined us. Some even went back to continue the pool party. The layout at Alton Marina is ideal for the party to flow back and forth between the land, the docks, the pool and who knows where. Many, many THANK YOUS are in order, Alton Marina's General



Manager Karen Baker-Brcnic and their Harbormaster Jeremy Fowler, Past Commodore Mike Tremmell and his crew "Two Mikes and a Beer", my First Mate Maureen, Commodore Denny Galkowski and his First Lady Pat, Craig and Connie Scheafnocker, Barb Nelson and Janet Rogliardi doing the 50/50, Linda Weller of the Alton Telegraph for the wonderful story she did on the event and our donation to the volunteer rescue group Wings of Angels, all the members that helped put up and take down the tents and tables, the Man Above that graced us with such perfect weather and many more that did all they could to make this a great time. Enjoy the pictures and Thanks again to all.

***Full Moon Cruise on the Grafton Ferry was a blast as always! This year we held it on a Friday preceding Labor Day Weekend. weather was Perfect and all aboard had a great time.***

***Con Trios Yacht Club Boat Swap Meet and Membership Party held on October 17th, 2009.***

Our first ever "Boat Swap Meet" was held in front of Sundowners at Yacht Club of St. Louis. We had about a dozen fellow boaters bring some of their extra boat stuff to sell. Even with the threatening weather quite a few bargains were had. Thanks to Frito Lay and Pepsico we had free soft drinks and snacks for the buyers and sellers! Thanks to Yacht Club of St. Louis for allowing us to class up the place with our boat "Flea Market" for the day!

Speaking of free stuff, our Membership Party that followed immediately after was free to all our members that brought canned goods for a local food pantry going along with the theme of "Give Back", both to our loyal members and to the Community. Got quite a load of canned goods to deliver thanks to the generosity of our members. We also featured a pink color scheme in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Well over one hundred members and guests enjoyed the music from the "Daves Not Here" band and appetizers prepared by Sundowners. Our new Board of Directors was announced and a small bylaws change was made to make it easier to fill the position of Fleet Surgeon by simply requiring that person to be a member of the medical community. Thanks to everyone for voting.



Con Trios Yacht Club Boat Swap Meet and Membership Party October 17th, 2009 Photo by Darryl

Attendance prizes were presented to our members based on who had the most Con Trios wristbands from attending the most events this year. We had two member couples that attended ALL the events so far! Mark Miles and Barb along with John and Pat DiFatta have been at all 10 events and each received a cooler donated by Dr. Pepper with its own stand. Second Place with 9 events attended was Past Commodore Sonny Robbins and Marsha, Past Commodore Carl Tiemann and Mary along with our wonderful raffle ticket seller Ruthie Durmeier and Ted, each received a bottle of wine donated by JP's Sports Bar in Eureka and Grafton Harbor.

*Words of Safety from the  
2009 Vice Commodore  
(now the 2010 Fleet Captain)*

Have at least six lines of the proper size on your boat.  
Use spring lines even if you don't think you need them.  
Learn basic line handling skills and teach them to your first mate.  
Have a few smaller lines to help smaller boats tie up to you.

*Scott Hickey*

**BOAT US**

As a Cooperating Group Member of BOAT US, we are offered discounted memberships. If you are interested in becoming a member of BOAT US, our Group # is GA80177Y. For an application you can contact BOAT US directly at 880 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304 or go to their website <http://www.boatus.com/>

*Classifieds*

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Con Trios Members are invited to post your classifieds here **FREE!**  
Send your information on boats for sale to Angie Tredway at  
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## **Social Events for 2010**

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<i>When</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>What</i>	<i>Where</i>
<i>February 13th</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Get Together</i>	<i>Sundowners</i>
<i>March 19th &amp; 20th</i>	<i>Friday / Saturday</i>	<i>Ice Breaker</i>	<i>Embassy Suites St. Charles</i>
<i>May 1st</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Past Commodores</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>June 13th</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Champagne Brunch</i>	<i>Duck Club Yacht Club</i>
<i>June 19th &amp; 20th</i>	<i>Saturday - Sunday</i>	<i>Drag Boat Races</i>	<i>Creve Coeur Park</i>
<i>July 17th</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Blessing of the Fleet</i>	<i>Grafton Harbor</i>
<i>August 14th</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Alton Getaway</i>	<i>Alton Marina</i>
<i>September 11th</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>October 9th</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Membership Party</i>	<i>Sundowners</i>
<i>December 4th</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Holiday Party</i>	<i>TBA</i>