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COMMODORE'S CORNER

WOW, summer is definitely here, hot sunny days, warm breezy nights and boats on the water.

Con Trios Yacht Club is in full swing this season and again providing wonderful events for our membership. We are a strong club with continued support of our members. Our events are unique, festive and successful.

The Past Commodore's Party in May at Arie's Winery was most enjoyable. What a setting and to have two of the area's best bartenders, Sonny and Ken, serving, and having a feast prepared by Bill & Linda Mixon, along with Jim Farr. Being served by those great guys in the red aprons, well . . . it just doesn't get better than this. Jim and Barbara Svoboda, along with Carl and Mary Tiemann did a fantastic job. Thanks for a great day packed with fun and again congratulations to all Past Commodores.

But that's not all. We have just recently enjoyed our "Champagne Brunch" and what a special event. The venue, food, band and raffle were second to none. Well done Gary and Judy. Everyone on the board and several members helped to make this event a wonderful success. Again, it shows what a diverse group we are, how much fun we can have and how strong our club is. Bravo!

A few reminders. We still have Grand Raffle tickets available, so make your purchase soon. Also, Scott and Lisa Hickey have a great line of new properties, so prior to our next event, put your shopping and gift lists together. Get involved, support your club, attend the exciting events and ask a Board Member how you can participate.

Last, the Board approved the awarding of a CTYC trophy for Best Decorated members boat for this year's Blessing of the Fleet on Saturday, July 21st. Have some fun, decorate and join the parade, and then head for the Parrot Head Party at Grafton Harbor. The Blessing's theme this year is "Toast Our Golden Anniversary". For more information, visit the website @ www.blessingofthefleetstl.com.

Be Safe River Family. See you on the water.

Tim

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Greetings from the Fleet Captain

The Past Commodores Party was another great success. I know a fun time was had by all.

I want to thank Bill Mixon for inducting me into the Royal Order of the Knife. I was quite surprised and most honored. I won't leave home without my knife.

I hope everyone enjoyed the Champagne Brunch; I know Judy and I did. We had close to 190 members/guests who paid for this event. The food was excellent and the music by Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo got the crowd up and rocking. According to Alan Deutschmann, we had close to \$4,000 in raffle prizes. Thanks to all who collected and contributed raffle prizes. And, we cannot forget to thank the ladies who helped Judy at the check-in table—Debbie Harper, Sue Moretti, Mary Tiemann, and Denise Gorecki. I know Judy appreciated your help.

Judy and I look forward to our next big event—the Parrot Head Party, hosted by Grafton Harbor and Grafton's Landing Restaurant. I know we have a lot of Parrot Head's out there, so we expect a great turnout.

"I Love this Country" and "Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler" (Let the Good Times Roll)

Gary Meinershagen

Fleet Captain

PAST COMMODORE PARTY

This year's Past Commodore Party was hosted by Carl Tiemann and Jim Svoboda—Excellent Job!
We had 14 Commodores present, including our present one, Tim Tighe.

I must say, the Past Commodore's **REALLY** know how to throw a party. They have if pretty well figured down to the last drop of everyone's favorite beverage.

The Piñata was a **BIG HIT**—get it "hit" as in smack that baby and watch the goodies fly. Our Fleet Surgeon, Mike Baisch was just a wee bit concerned when it burst open and our members started diving for Con Trios properties and tons of other prizes. Why, I, myself even managed to scramble to the ground and snatch up a handy-dandy note pad (but not without breaking a fingernail).

Our 50/50 Raffle was a great success also, with two winners (Denise Gorecki and Roger Spain—yes, those two again), walking away with \$230.

A **GREAT BIG** thank you to Bill & Linda Mixon and Jim Farr for the excellent food they cooked and served to our members.

And, I can't forget to thank our friendly bartenders, Sonny Robbins and Kenny Whitney for their service with a smile. We kept them hopping.

BLESSING OF THE FLEET'S 50TH

On Saturday, July 21st, 2007, the Blessing of the Fleet celebrates a significant milestone—it's 50th Anniversary! This year's theme is "Toast Our Golden Anniversary"! Trophies are awarded for the best decorated Cruiser, Houseboat, Runabout, Pontoon and Sailboat. This year's parade also features CASH Prizes provided by our Sponsors! There is a \$500 Best in Show; \$300 2nd Place and \$200 3rd Place. Additionally, awards will be given for Best Decorated Gibson, Regal, Sea Ray, and the first ever Award for the Best Decorated to the Theme, Con Trios Yacht Club Vessel! So, DECORATE and have some fun with family and friends. The awards ceremony will be held at Grafton Harbor just prior to the Parrot Head Party. For more information, visit our new website at www.blessingofthefleetstl.com



Ice Breaker—2008 By Denny Galkowski

In response to many of our members looking for something different, we have an exciting announcement for all of you. To accommodate your requests, we have a new date and venue for our **next** "Ice Breaker" event. The new date will be March 8, 2008, so mark your calendars now! The new venue will be Beautiful Tan-Tar-A Resort at the Lake of the Ozarks. This is a one-day event that promises to be both exciting and memorable. Tan-Tar-A will host our event with all the fanfare we have come to expect, and then some. The purpose of this notice is two fold. The first is to make all of you aware of the new date, and venue change, and the second is to offer a tour bus for those of you who may wish alternative transportation, instead of driving your personal vehicle. CTYC is considering a tour bus, **only** if we receive the needed response and commitment from our members. If a charter is secured, the bus will leave from a selected location around St. Charles on Saturday, March 8, 2008 at approximately 10:00am and will return from Tan-Tar-A on Sunday, March 9th, around noon. One bus has a capacity of 55 persons at a cost of approximately \$30.00/person. CTYC will keep you informed as the year progresses. Remember, it is imperative that I hear from all of you who may wish to travel by bus. You can e-mail me at dgalkows@sscad.com; call me at home at 636-566-6767, or by mail at 218 Eagle Ridge, Winfield, MO 63389. Please contact me with your commitment anytime within the next two months.

I will keep all of you updated either by this newsletter or by the CTYC website.

In the meantime, enjoy your 2007 CTYC events. Gary and Judy have great events in store for all of us this year.

Safe Boating
Denny Galkowski
Rear Commodore CTYC



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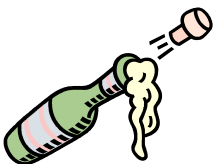
I LIKE YOUR PROSPECTIVE

The following are prospective new members:

Eric & Lisa Ridenhour (sponsored by Rod & Jean Radke)

DID YOU KNOW???

The modern way of shattering a bottle of champagne over the bows of a new ship has a link with the days when the Vikings and South Sea races invoked the protection of the sea gods when launching war galleys. They did this by making a human sacrifice where victims were bound to rollers over which the ship was launched, and blood from the broken bodies of the sacrificed sprinkled the ship. In civilized times, blood-red wine preceded champagne as the christening beverage.



**HURRY . . . HURRY
FOR SALE—STEAM TABLE**

Con Trios Yacht Club is having a "fire sale" - no actually, it's a Steam Table sale. We have been carrying around a steam table in our trailer for the past several years now, and it's only taking up room, and making access to necessary items in the trailer very difficult. Our Fleet Captain has announced he will volunteer to straighten out and organize the trailer, but the steam table has got to go first!

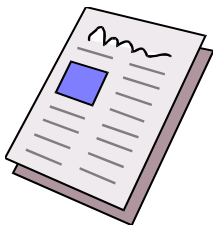
Prior to disposing of this property, CTYC members are given the first opportunity to bid on this item.

Bids for the steam table, must be received prior to August 1, 2007. No bids will be accepted or considered after that date. If you are interested in submitting a written bid for this steam table, please submit your bid to Secretary, Alan Deutschmann. You can submit your bid via e-mail at:

aldeut@sbcglobal.net

Or, you may Snail-Mail him at:

1759 Scherer Parkway
St. Charles, MO 63303



Hailer Newsletter

I am pleased to announce that Denise Pott, who has been a member of CTYC since 2002, and hails out of Two Branch, has offered to take over as Editor of the Hailer.

Effective January 2008, look for some exciting articles written by Denise.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Editor of the Hailer for the past three years—I truly did enjoy it, and trust me, you have not heard the last of me. I will continue to submit articles to Denise, as I hope you all will.

Judy Meinershagen

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