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**COMMODORE'S CORNER**

This boating season is approaching it's twilight and what a year it has been. This year Lynn and I have enjoyed the duties of being Commodore of Con Trios Yacht Club, especially me, I get to run the meetings and go to parties. I recommend aspiring to this position.

All of our events this year have been wonderful. We had the infusion of new ideas and programs that were successful' we sponsored very worthwhile safety programs and had innovative properties. We have 2 events left, the Fall Cruise which should be spectacular; make sure you have your Grand Raffle Tickets and the Holiday Party which is always great.

This year we had an exceptional Board Of Directors. These people are just great, dependable and active with a " can do " attitude. We have had the support of both new and long standing members and again I invite everyone to become active in your club. As expected, Gary and Judy Meinershagen did a terrific job as Fleet Captain. The two of you deserve our compliments and thanks for a job well done

Our ballot for 2008 shows talented members taking on new roles as officers and directors of the Board with Denny and Pat Galkowski as Fleet Captain. We have a lot to look forward to.

The bottom line, Con Trios Yacht Club is steeped in 41 years of tradition and our future is in good hands. From Lynn and I a final word as Commodore, Thank You and Godspeed. Tim

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## Greetings from the Fleet Captain

It is hard to believe that the 2007 Boating Season is coming to a close, as well as my tenure as your Fleet Captain, I have made a lot of new friends.

This season has been fun and exciting, but "it's not over until I say it's over". We still have two exciting events left—Fall Color Cruise on the Spirit of LaSalle on October 20th and our Holiday Party on December 1st at the Airport Hilton. I was promised Paris would make an appearance, but I was also promised a pool at the Grafton Parrot Head Party. **Make your room reservations by November 17th to receive a special rate of \$69.00/night by calling 800-314-2117. Be sure to mention you are with CTYC.**

The Parrot Head Party, held at Grafton's Landing was a great success. I want to thank all the members that attended and paid for the event and for supporting "YOUR" club. It was somewhat disappointing to see some of our members present who did not pay to attend.

Being a Fleet Captain, I was enlightened as to what it takes to entertain our members with fun and exciting events. With that being said, I would like to share with all our members some insight into the expenses of an event. There is printing of the flyers; postage to mail the flyers; snacks/food (sometimes alcohol and soft drinks); table & chair rentals; attendance prizes and last, but certainly not least, music for your listening pleasure. All this has to be taken into the equation when deciding on a cost to charge our members. It's not just the food, it's the package as a whole.

In closing, I have enjoyed being your Fleet Captain, and I am looking forward to being your Commodore in 2008. As this season comes to a close, please continue to practice safe boating habits and enjoy the beautiful fall days approaching.

"I Love this Country" and "Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler"

Gary Meinershagen

Fleet Captain



## Ice Breaker 2008—Update By Denny Galkowski

First of all, I trust this message finds everyone in good health. It's been a wonderful summer season and Gary and Judy have hosted some outstanding events. Wow, how about that "Moonlight Cruise"!!!!

The purpose of this memo is to update those interested in the "Charter Bus" for the March 8th "Ice Breaker" event at beautiful Tan-Tar-A. To date, I have received only about a dozen names of members who have expressed interest in this alternative Transportation. The limited feedback may be due to the error in the printing of my e-mail address. The correct e-mail address is: dgalkows@sccad.com. I can also be reached at home at 636-566-6767 or by mail at 218 Eagle Ridge Ln. Winfield, MO 63389. I will inform everyone by the years end if the necessary response for the charter bus was received.

In the meantime, Gary and Judy have two more exciting events scheduled for all of us this year; the "Fall Color Cruise" and the traditional "Holiday Party".

See you soon!

Safe Boating  
Denny Galkowski  
Rear Commodore CTYC

**VERY IMPORTANT**

### Recreational Boating Act of 2007

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I have just learned that because of a recent court ruling, the EPA is required to develop and implement by September 30, 2008, a national permit system for **ALL** vessels (including recreational vessels) in the United States for a variety of normal operational discharges. You can read more about this issue in BoatUS, July 23, 2007 Federal Alert.

The Recreational Boating Act of 2007 (H.R. 2550) has been introduced by Representatives Gene Taylor (D-Miss) and Candice Miller (R-Mich) which would protect recreational boats from being swept into this unnecessary an expensive permitting system.

Please write your Senators (Christopher Bond and Claire McCaskill) and Congressman asking them to support the Recreational Boating Act of 2007 (H.R. 2550). Please share this information with your boating friends and boat clubs. We need everyone's support on this very important issue!



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The following are prospective new members:

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Mike & Julie Carnahan (sponsored by Bill Kelley)

Dan & Laura Hamilton (sponsored by Alan Deutschmann)

Jim & Donna Fingerhut (sponsored by Denny Galkowski)

Victoria Ragland (sponsored by Joan Shamel)

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### **DID YOU KNOW???**

**Red Sky At Night...** The origin of the saying is unknown, although a form of it appears in the bible (Matthew 16:2-3). It has some basis in science and is a fairly good predictor of-though no guarantee-of weather at the mid latitudes in the Northern Hemisphere, where storm systems generally follow the jet stream from west to east. A red sky in the morning indicates a sun rising in clear eastern skies casting its rays on storm clouds approaching from the west. At night the clear sight of the red setting sun would tell a sailor that no storms are to the west.\*\*\*\*\*

## EXTREME KUDO'S

I would personally like to take this opportunity to thank **Dave Stolze** for his generous contribution of printing our newsletter.

When I took over as Editor of the Hailer, I was not happy with the appearance of the newsletter ( photo-copy). I approached Dave, as I knew he was in the printing business, and asked him if he would consider printing the Hailer. I had full intentions of paying Dave for his services, but before we had an opportunity to discuss price, he offered to do the printing at not cost to our club. With the help of Dave, our newsletter now has a very professional appearance. Thank you Dave!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank **Bill Kelley** for promoting and advertising all of our events of [www.riverbills.com](http://www.riverbills.com).

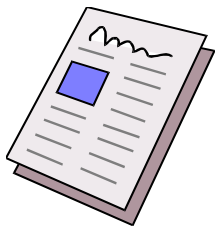
Again, I approached Bill and asked if he would post our events and link the registration information to our site. He graciously offered to do so at no cost to our club. Thank you Bill!

If you have a business, please consider advertising on riverbill's site, and if you are in need of professional printing, I sincerely hope you consider Stolze Printing. Both are top-notch in my category.

**Top Notch:** First Rate; Excellent; Exceptionally good of its kind

AND, there you have it!

Judy Meinershagen



### Hailer Newsletter

It has been my extreme pleasure to serve as your editor for the past three years. I have enjoyed sharing with you some of my adventures, as well as other interesting facts and stories I have found in my internet searching's.

I will continue to submit interesting articles ( at least interesting to me) to the new Editor, Denise Pott, and I hope some of you will do the same.

Be safe and definitely be happy!

Judy Meinershagen

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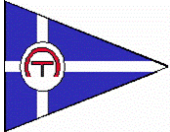
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dspott@charter.net or via telephone at 636-5323287

**Please note:** If you would like your boat advertised in more than one issue, you must contact me again.

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