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**Con Trios 2005
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COMMODORE'S CORNER

Welcome back spring. The warm weather is here and its time to de-winterize and clean our boats for a new season on the river, see old friends and meet new ones, either on the dock, at the beach or just floating down river.

We kicked off this year in great style and fun with the icebreaker at Pere Marquette. We had a good turn out and an enjoyable time was had by all. We set a record with 19 NEW Members inducted this year. The board encourages everyone to help bring new prospective members into the club. Thanks again to Jim & Barbara for all their hard work that weekend.

Next event coming up is the Past Commodores Party Sat. May 7th @ Polestar Marina. Hosted by Past Commodores Tom Anderson & John Kitchen; it's a Kentucky Derby theme party. Info should be arriving very soon on this event. Looking forward to seeing another great turn out on this event.

We have a new webmaster, Bill Kelley. Bill has been working on our site with updates and changes. Everyone with Internet access should check it out; changes are occurring all the time. Any suggestions can be e-mailed to Bill from a link in the site.

Will see you on the water
Commodore Carl

CHAMPAYNE BRUNCH
June 12, 2005

DUCK CLUB YACHT CLUB



The Champagne Brunch is fast approaching. Please be sure to mark this event on your Calendar and look for the flyer to be delivered to you in the very near future.

Alan Deutschmann is in charge of securing raffle items for this event. If you would like to help with either donating or collecting raffle items, please contact Alan at 636-946-8056 or Keith Ruf at 636-250-4110.

Greetings from the Fleet Captain

The Pool Party/Ice Breaker at Pere Marquette was a great time for the 120 members and guests that attended. Barbara and I appreciate all of the help we received, especially since this was our first event for 2005. Mr. Bubbles did his job in the hot tub! Special thanks to everyone participating in the 50/50 both nights - it raised over \$600 for the Club - helps pay for the party. We look forward to CYTC's future events and your attendance.

The next outing is the Past Commodore Party on May 7 at Polestar. Tom Anderson and John Kitchin, with assistance from their fellow Past Commodores, have planned a wonderful meal with Band (Charlie Hillard) and a Kentucky Derby theme. Mark your calendars and watch for the event flyer.

The Champaign Brunch is June 12 at the Duck Club - this is one that you do not want to miss!

Reminder regarding the Alton Get Away on September 10 - make your reservations now as Alton Marina will be sold out for this event. Please call (618) 462-9860 and tell them you are with Con Trios.

Thanks again for making the Pool Party/Ice Breaker a fun time. We are here for you so please contact us if you have ideas, comments or suggestions.

Jim & Barbara Svoboda



GRAND RAFFLE



Grand Raffle tickets are now available. Again this year, they are only \$25.00 each, and the prizes are as follows:

- 1st Prize—\$3,000.00
- 2nd Prize—\$1,000.00
- 3rd Prize—\$500.00

Only 300 tickets will be sold. Please contact one of your friendly Board Members to purchase your Grand Raffle ticket. Drawing will be held at a Con Trios event when all tickets are sold, or no later than October 31, 2005.

Winner need not be present to win.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The following are our latest Con Trios members, which were inducted at the Ice Breaker at Pere Marquette on Saturday, March 19, 2005.

Gary & Jeri Behnke
Dennis & Susie Carroll
Ron & Jane Freeman
John & Ann Hartmann
Dave Miller
Kathy & Roger Thompson
Ron & Nikki Wisniewski

Bob & Pat Bindner
Ray & Kay DeClue
E.F. & Julie Hagnauer
Scott & Lisa Hickey
Rod & Jean Radke
Debbie Weidinger

Tim & Theresa Borchert
Curt & Kathy Favre
Laura Hansen & Pat Shook
John & Kathy Maze
David Stolze
Darryll Weil & Maureen Absolon



I LIKE YOUR PROSPECTIVE . . .

The following are Prospective Members and their sponsors.

Prospective

Terry Bachman
Cindy Brinkop
Mike Densmore
Bill Kelley
Harry Kuehner
Jim Miller
Max Mitts
Bruce Morris
Patti Ernie
Fred Sansone
Susan Schneider
Tom Smith
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Gary Meinershagen
Keith Ruf
Jim Young
Keith Ruf
Bill Brasses
Keith Ruf
Roger Spain
Jim Svoboda
Mark Miles

In Remembrance



Con Trios Member, Bob O'Connor passed away in February 2005 from a battle with Cancer. Bob and his wife, Cheryl have been members since 1991.

Please remember Cheryl in your prayers and thoughts.

IT WAS A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM



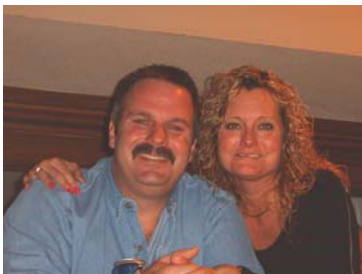
KIDS—WHAT KIDS??



HAS ANYBODY SEEN RENE'E???



"WHAT NEXT" MIKE?



HONEY, THIS IS "JUST NOT RIGHT"



DO WE HAVE A WINNER?

INTRODUCING OUR NEW WEBMASTER

Hello to everyone. I would like to introduce myself. My name is Bill Kelley, and I am a prospective member of Con Trios and your new Webmaster. I have worked at McDonnell Douglas/Boeing for the past 36 years. I have a degree in Mechanical Engineering, but of late I have been deeply involved in migrating our area from the paper world into the on-line world. I have worked with computers since the mid 70's and with web-related stuff for the past 5-6 years.



I was introduced to the river when I went on a boat ride on the Mississippi with a friend from work in 1969. I was immediately hooked! He kept his boat at Hideaway Harbor and I still remember to this day the first time I saw those chalky white bluffs along the Illinois side of the river. The very next year I scraped up enough money to buy my first boat and I have been an avid river boater ever since.

My wife, Laura, was introduced to the river when we met in the mid 80's and she took a liking to it right away.

One of the best parts of boating on the river is its closeness to home and, more important, is all the friends that I have made on the river of the years. For me, boating is a social thing. We have a 32 foot Baja that we harbor at Two Branch Marina. Laura and I are the ones that started, and still host, the Jamaica Daze parties that have become quite popular over the years. We also have a website for the boaters of Alton Pool: www.riverbills.com

Please drop me a line sometime. You can contact me by clicking on the Webmasters e-mail link on the Con Trios website (contriosyachtclub.org)

See ya on the river
Bill

SAFETY FIRST

Boating Safety

National Safe Boating Week: May 22-28, 2004

Boat Smart. Boat Safe. Wear It!

More than 70,000,000 Americans enjoy recreational boating each year. Annual boat registrations have increased steadily from just over 10 million in 1988 to more than 12.8 million in 2002. During this same time period, boating-related fatalities have decreased, due in part to increased use of life jackets, or personal flotation devices (PDF). Unfortunately, 2002 witnessed a reverse in this downward trend with 750 boating fatalities—the highest number of deaths since 1998.

May 22-28, 2004 marks the start of summer and National Safe Boating Week. The theme for this year's North American Safe Boating Campaign is "Boat smart. Boat safe. Wear it!" In 2002, 4,062 participants were reported injured and 750 killed in boating incidents. Among those who died, approximately 8 out of 10 were not wearing life jackets. The North American Safe Boating Campaign wants to raise awareness and ensure that every person on a boat is wearing a life jacket.

Information about the North American Safe Boating Campaign and event planning materials are available from the [campaign website](#).



INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO JERRY HANDLEY AND CINDY HARR AKA “Beauty & The Beast”



Cindy called me after reading the last newsletter and asked me to include an article about them, as she is missing her boating friends and wanted all to know what had happened to them.



Here's their story: The connection and sparks began in November 1989 at Woodland Yacht Club, as they both felt a Love Connection at the “Las Vegas Night Party”. Their friendship was unique for almost two years, and then it took a turn for “Romance”. They renovated their boat and named it Beauty & The Beast, where they continued to have “Waves” of good times at the Duck Club Yacht Club. Ultimately, the couple sold their boat to Russ Carnahan and purchased a home in Maryland Heights, where Jerry joint-ventured in custom built homes with G.M.B in the Westport area. Captain Handley is now living in Las Vegas where he is working on a machine called “The Terminator”. On March 6, 2005, his First Mate, Cindy, joined him at the Little White Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas to exchange their vows. They have proclaimed their love was “anchored” forever on this date.

Although they have been missing from our waters, they have fond memories of their boating days and friends. They hope to once again enter these “chartered waters” and renew old friendships when Jerry moves back to the St. Louis area.



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