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## DEDICATION

We dedicate this yearbook to
Mary Huntsman who, over the years has so beautifully and faithfully pictured and recorded our triumphs and our foibles.


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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to the excellent work and efforts of Editor, Robert G. "Lab" Burridge, Assistant Editor, George Scarborough, Helen Limbaugh and her fine staff, we have another great yearbook which reviews in pictures and articles the 1981 sailing season from the Southern Circuit to the Fall Regattas. We are extremely proud of our yearbooks over the years and hope that you enjoy the 1981 yearbook as much as we do.

Thanks to so many people, the pictures and recall of the various regattas are extremely well done. But fortunately or unfortunately, however you wish to look at it, the thrill of sailing a pretty good weather leg, a flat out plane with a shoot, crossing the line in a place you and your crew are happy with, is very difficult to capture and put in a book no matter how well done. I guess "you have to be there."

But if this yearbook just tugs at some of your fond memories of the past, were pleased.

Good luck this year in your sailing.


George V. Fisher, President
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## Officers of the International Lightning Class Association



PRESIDENT George Fisher
George has been a member of the Class for thirty-four years. He crewed on a boat in the first Mid-Winter Lightning Championship in St. Petersburg in 1948. The whole Fisher family has been active in Lightnings. His two boys, Greg and Matt, have been racing Lightnings since about the time they could walk. George's greatest thrill in sailing was when his two boys were first and second in the North Americans in 1977, which were held at the Buffalo Canoe Club where George sailed his first Internationals in 1948 in Boat No. 721. His daughter, Gayle, has crewed for George over the years when be could pull her off her horse.
George has been President, Chief Measurer. Association's legal counsel. Ohio District Commodore, Fleet Captain and Commodore of the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club.

George would like to thank his wife, Marty, for her assistance and understanding in this activity. He also wishes to express his appreciation to his taw partners, whom he visits periodically between regattas, for their understanding-


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Sandy has been racing Lightnings at the Monmouth Boat Club, Red Bank. New Jersey - Fleet 70 - since 1959. In 1982 he will be sailing his Ith Lightning.

During the years he has served as Fleet Captain, twice District Commodore of the Metropolitan District, and as a Class Vice President, he has served two years on the Junior Committee, two years as Assistant Measurer, and one year as Chief Measurer.

Throughout the years both his children. Karin and Jack and his wife Mary have been active sailors and enthusiasts.

Sandy is an English teacher.


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Richard has raced Lightnings since 1974. He has served as Fleet Captain of Fleet 435 at Rush Creek Yacht Club near Dallas, Texas, has served as Texas District Commodore and helped organize and run the 1979 Lightning Worlds at Rush Creek. Richard served as Chairman of the Board of Governors of Rush Creek Yacht Club in 1981.

The Guinan family is actively involved in sailing and Lightning racing. Son Rick is the current Junior Champion at Rush Creek Yacht Club and is Richard's most faithful crew. Daughter Laura and wife, Eileen, also crew on a regular basis.

Richard is a partner in the law firm of Denton \& Generes in Dallas.


TREASURER - Thomas R. Bierman
Tom has been a member of the Lightning Class for over thirty years. His Dad built their first boat in 1948 - \#3796. Later they acquired 6915, 10266, 11622, 10480 and the currently sails 12912 . Tom is a member of Fleet 25 of the Metropolitan District sailing on Lake Mohawk at Sparta, New Jersey and has sailed with his wife. Sharon, as crew for the last 10 years. He previously sailed in the Midwest District out of Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

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