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# HOW IMPORTANT HAS THE LIGHTNING BEEN TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY? 

Consider the years of enjoyment that you've had with the Lightning. Reflect on the support and organization the ILCA has provided over the years. Think of the friends you've met on the water. Now is the time to help guarantee your children and grandchildren can make their own special Lightning Memories.

## How can you support ILCA?

The ILCA has established many alternatives to enable members and friends to make special gifts and bequests of lasting significance-to help ensure the long-term viability, vitality and mission of the Class:

- The ILCA Fund
- The Limbaugh Fund
- Planned Giving
- Special gifts


## The ILCA Fund

The ILCA Fund was established in 1982 as a way to guarantee the long-range operations of our Class. The goal is to secure funding equivalent to two-years of the operating costs so that the Class can remain solvent during hard times. This will assure that future sailors can have the opportunity to enjoy the excitement and fellowship of sailing our very special boat,

The fund's income and as much principal as necessary may be used for repairs, purchase of extraordinary capital items inot supported by the annual budget) or long term capital projects.

## The Helen \& Jay Limbaugh Fund

The Helen \& lay Limbaugh Fund was established in memory of two of our most awid supporters. Helen was our Executive Director from 1965 to 1982. Jay was our Class President in 1964. Both remained strong supponters of the Class long after their tenures were completed. Because of Helen \& lay's strong interest in junior sailing, and their belief that our juniors are the future members and officers of our Class, the organizers of the fund have dedicated these funds toward junior activities.

The available monies in the Limbaugh Fund are restricted to support of education, training, and the promotion of junior sailing. Only income may be used. The principal may not be spent. Uses of these funds may include: Support for the Youth World Championships. The Sears Cup, funding junior racing clinics, trophies, promotion of youth regattas, etc.

## Planned giving

The laws of the U.S. permit its citizens to choose how to dispose of possessions at death. The ILCA has been granted status as a charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service. As such, your gifts to the Class can be deducted from income and estate taxes. These tax laws make giving to the


Class both economical and philanthropic.

## How may gifts be made during your lifetime?

Gifts of Cash: A gift of cash during a person's lifetime is the simplest type of gift. You may send a check to the ILCA at any time or include an extra amount of money in the renewal form when you pay your membership every year.

Gifts of Marketable Securities and Investment Real Estate: Gifts of appreciated securities and real estate held for investment purposes are often more beneficial to the donor than gifts of cash. When such items are donated, the donor receives a contribution deduction equal to the current market value of the security and generally, the excess of the market value over the donor's cost basis is not taxed. Often it can be advantageous to donate substantially appreciated items than to sell them and pay the capital gains tax.

Gifts though wills: Remembering The ILCA in your will is another method of giving. Such a gift is deductible in calculating estate taxes. Provisions for the gift may be included in the body of the will or by adding a simple codicil.

Gifts of boats and equipment: You may consider donating your boat and equipment to the ILCA, thereby helping make them available to newcomers. You can deduct the fair market value of your donation from your income or estate taxes. It may be more advantageous for you to give the boat to the class than to sell it. The Class has the procedures in place to facilitate making this important gift.

There is no time better than the present to make gifts to our Class. Your contribution will assure that the next generation of sailors will have the same support that we all now enjoy and sometimes take for granted. We hope you will consider planning an ILCA donation, always informed, of course, by appropriate legal and financial counsel.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE :.

## ILCA FUNDS




## Francisco "Paco" Solá-President



Paco got involved in the ILCA pretty much when he started skippering in 1985. He credits his nominations to the post to the fact that his other sailing friends don't speak English! Likes to be close to the water and sails in whatever floats. Drools when his oldest son sails Optimists on his own. Loves his wife Daniela and wishes she'd like sailing better than shopping. Dreams to sail the Worlds with his two sons as crew.

## James G. Carson-Secretary

lim first raced Lightnings in 1948 and has served ILCA over the years in a number of capacities, first as an Assistant Measurer in 1959. A retired Engineer and semi-retired Boat Builder whose life centers around sailing, he currently competes at the age of 76 in \# 15122, his 21st Lightning.


## Steven H. Davis-Treasurer



Steve started his sailboat racing at age 6 in Sabots at Newport Harbor Yacht Club in southern California. He progressed to snowbirds, kites and Etchells. While raising a family, Steve took a 20-year absence from the sport and concentrated on Little League and $4-\mathrm{H}$ and other pursuits of his two children. A relative newcomer to the Lightning Class, he purchased his first lightning in 1999 and has thoroughly enjoyed the Lightning Class and its members. Steve is active in the Denver Sailing Association and the Sailing Association of Intermountain Lakes. He can be found at lightning regattas throughout the US with his wife, lan, otherwise known as "the manager", "regatta mom" or "the social director".

## Carter Utzig-Measurer



Started sailing when I realized that I could not convince my wife to paddle white water at the level required to get my adrenaline pumping. So we bought a sailboat not knowing much about anything - a 470 at that. After some good times learning from Capt. Hof (Hofmeister), we could go around a racecourse sailing rather than swimming. We progressed to larger boats but our hearts were in small boats. After visiting Nashville, we made the decision to return to dinghy sailing, There again was Capt. Hof with a boat to buy - Colin \& Karen's Lightning. As an engineer by education, this was a dream come true (Colin can out gadget most). And off we were into the Lightning family. Many people were kind enough to teach us and then sit around afterwards to discuss life. We started a family, moved to Charlotte, and met the Bookes - another Lightning family just a few houses down with children the same age. Our families have covered a lot of miles on the road together since then. As time passes, my wife is sailing less but my girls are sailing more. What a thril!! It looks like the next couple of years will bring less travel, more fleet building at our club and enjoying racing with my family.

## Bill Faude-Executive/Committee Member



Bill is a former President of ILCA. He can be seen sailing 14740 lovingly named "Poodles By Verna (All small breeds accepted)" He is possibly the only living person to have won a race in the Lightning World Champions steering with a paddle handle. He wakes up nights wondering if the skeg actually does anything. He still wishes we'd find a better solution to inducing prebend than those darn mast blocks. The sound the boat makes when it crashes off a wave is music to his ears. Bill lives with his wife Julie in Chicago with their two cats Ela and Byrde.

## Karen Johnson-Executive Secretary



Karen began sailing with her dad when she was a child at Delta Sailing Association in Memphis Tennessee. Mom and dad are still sailing in California. It won't be too long before her son, Evan is ready to start crewing! Karen lived in Chicago after college where she was active in the fleet at Corinthian. She now participates with the fleet at Harbor Island Yacht Club. Lucky for us as a class she still loves her job!.

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[^0]This yearbook is truly a team effort. Countless hours were devoted by many: writing, editing, picking pictures and checking rosters. But while we were working on it we suffered the terrible loss of one of our most enthusiast team members. That would be our own Mary, our Historian, Photographer, co-editor, past President, Vice President and Treasurer Mary Huntsman. So in her memory and to honor all the work she did for our class, it is that we dedicate this 2004 Yearbook to her. We love you Mary.

Caroline: Growing up I first got to know Mary as a teen. She was always there, enthusiastic, outspoken, enjoying life despite all its difficulties. She was there for many as a counselor, mentor, leader and just providing good natured support. She always was encouraging you to get the most out of life, not only out of sailing. There were many notable comments made this past year on the web site at Mary's passing. All were memorable. There are too many to preserve here, but a few capture our thoughts:
"I feel so lucky to have Mary involved in my life. She helped to guide me through so much in life. I never had to wonder how Mary felt about something, it was all out there like it or not. Mary had a great sense of humor. She never lost sight of the most important things in life and she treasured her family and friends dearly. It is rare to have someone who can connect with everyone the way she could. Everyday was full steam ahead. I could talk to her about anything, Mary was a good friend." David Watts,
"The energy and enthusiasm that was Mary will be sorely missed on a lot of different levels. Her love of life, sailing, family and friends will live in our hearts forever. My prayers and thoughts are with Sandy and the entire Huntsman family." Crissy Van Siclen.
"I am so glad to have had Mary in my life. You were always so positive. You could make the sunshine when the skies were gray (even if it wasn't good for your skin). I hate to admit that it's been over 40 years. The memories are so so
many, just as the number of great parties. Mary had a gift, just like life is a gift; given and taken for no reason. I am glad to have been gifted by the fun Mary shared and the joy she brought. She will never be forgotten. As Lightning sailors let's make sure that the Preservation of Lightning \#1 in Mystic gets completed, as Mary would have wished. I am sure she is working on another project in the Heavens." Jon Schwartz \#14786.

- I couldn't believe the news! Tears came right to my eyes and I recalled ... the last time I saw her. She always took my face in the palms of her hands not sure if I was her daughter or myself. I loved that she would just reach out and touch or hug me. She then reached in her pocked and handed me a pair of silver Lightning flash ear rings... She gave us tangible and intangible gifts... I loved being in the Huntsman's home. Home to all sailors and ski lovers alike... She will be sorely missed. Much love and prayers to Sandy and family." Angie and Steve Hayden.



-There may have been others, but Mary was certainly the modern day first lady of the Lightning Class. She dedicated her life to others, particularly the ILCA and most recently the preservation of Lightning \#1 and the archival of ILCA history. She loved entertaining, having people around her, and masterminding whatever needed to be organized. When a leader was needed, Mary took over. How many times did'she tell us "this was her last time to organize the Long lohn", only it never really was. As President, Mary traveled around the World to be present at as many Lightning events as possible, Worlds, Youth Worlds, North Americans, Southern Circuit, even traveling to Marsala prior to the 2001 Worlds to check on arrangements... and through it all her wonderful family put up with and supported what she felt she needed to do. This past year, deep inside she knew things were not right with her body but in her desire to assure the preservation of \#1 at Mystic, she refused to stop to take care of herself. And, true sportswoman that she was, she was there sailing with me in the Masters at Naantic. Thank you Mary for everything. We will miss you!" Jim Carson, Secretary, ILCA, \#15122.

Paco: I keep two copies of the 1999 Yearbook. That year it was dedicated to all the members of fleet 405 after the 1999 Worlds in Salinas. One copy I got as a member, the other I got from Mary who kindly signed and personalized for me. This book is one of my personal treasures.

In going through all the yearbooks, I came upon 1988, the year the Lightning turned 50. Anne Allen was President, I was 20 and away at school and unable to attend the 50th Anniversary Regatta, etc. But what hit me while reading the 1988 book, was the fact that there are two incredible coincidences between then and now: The first one, the focus on families, and the second the dedications: 1988's dedication to "Mr. Lightning" himself, Mr. Karl Smither, and 2004's dedication to "Mrs. Lightning". Mrs. Mary Huntsman.

Early on we decided to focus the 2004 edition of the Yearbook on all the families of the Lightning Class, those who make this organization so special and regattas so much fun. The NAs were a great


Mary and Charlie Hess with her legacy to the Lightning Class - Number One.
example of how the Lightning is a great family competitive boat. There were so many boats sailing as family teams this year. The Huntsmans are a great example of the many families in this class. We hope you enjoy this focus.

Paco and Caroline.

## DONATION OF LIGHTNING NUMBER ONE

Lighting number one was officially donated to Mystic Seaport Museum on August 13, 2003 at a well attended dedication event that drew more than expected attendance. The mix of over 150 people consisted of invited donors and dignitaries, those attending the local Master's/ Junior's/ Women's North American championship regatta, and those from the surrounding area in fairly equal distribution.

Jim Carson, Secretary of ILCA, formally signed and transferred the boats ownership to mystic in a brief ceremony. Much of the

credit for this accomplishment should be given to Mary and Sandy Huntsman as they handled the relationship building required with Mystic Seaport. The event was written up in a subsequent Sail magazine article.

Mystic seaport, founded in 1929, is housed over several blocks in Mystic CT. It is structured to enable marine research and provide public education. The dedication ceremony was held in their "shop" which is a large facility that demonstrates the process of boat building of various vessel types through the decades. Lightning number one was set up in sailing condition in the center of the shop complete with cotton sails, including the spinnaker on the deck.

Close examination of Lightning $\approx 1$ reveals the beautiful inconsistencies consistent with a prototype: The cockpit coaming on one side is three-fourths of an inch deeper than on the other, and floorboards have notches cut in them, as if they were made out of remnants from some other project. In Mystic's shop the mast height was questioned, but on subsequent inspection it appears to meet specifications. Maybe it was the upper jumpers that made it appear too tall. But, one look at the boat and it's obvious that every boat sailing in over 300 active fleets in more than 14 countries traces its DNA to the boat waiting in Mystic.

Lightning number one will ultimately be housed in Mystic

Seaports Research facility, a renovated historic mill, and will be available to the public on request. Currently it is in storage pending the completion of the renovation. Continues relationship development will improve the ultimate placement of this treasure.

Brief History on the Development of the Lightning Olin Stephens, better known for his designs of America's Cup defenders and high-end ocean racers is the genius who designed the lightning in which first launched at Skaneateles Country Club in 1938. In conjunction with John and George Barnes of the Skaneateles Boat Co. the concept of the Lightning was initially conceived in 1935. The intention was to develop a 19 long boat (providing room for a family), incorporating the hard chine of the Comet, (to allowing simplified construction), and provide the high performance required of a one-design class racer. In the winter of 1938, the Barnes'took Lightning $=1$ to the New York City boat show, and were rewarded with numerous orders. It seemed the Barnes' had a successful design on their hands.

Olin Stephens and the Barnes' recognized the unique contribution that the boat could offer to one-design sailing and decided to treat the Lightning with unprecedented generosity. Rather than retaining exclusive rights to the design, they donated the rights to the then brand new Lightning Class Association. This contribution ensured that anyone who wanted to could build a Lightning, and all design royalties would contribute to the strength of the class association.

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