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David Starck

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2,4,5,6,8,9,10,11,12,13

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This annual production (either paper or DVD) serves as an ongoing historical document. The Yearbook chronicles the regatta venues, the Champions, the District and Fleet reports, Boat Grant recipients, the Governing Board, Class Officers, members and boat owners. Photos of boats, smiling members receiving trophies, and parties are sprinkled throughout the book.

Additional copies and some past editions are available either from the website store or from the Class office. office@lightningclass.org

ILCA Flashes Newsletter

Ten issues per year, the Flashes Newsletter keeps members up to date on ILCA activities and events. Information on our worldwide fleet activites, go-fast tips from the sailmakers and champions, wooden boat projects and history of the Lightning are regularly featured.

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The full color electronic version of Flashes are distributed via e-mail to all ILCA members: Active, Associate, and Crew

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The International Lightning Class Association is now on Facebook! New this year, the ILCA created and maintains a social networking Facebook page with almost 900 fans. Lightning sailors from around the world contribute photos and information.

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Many Districts and Fleets have their own websites or Facebook pages. Links are found on the ILCA website: www.lightningclass.org. Look under Membership in navigation, then click on District/Fleets members.





Marcus Eagan Wins the North American Championship



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In addition to making us smile, what is the value of the Lightning? In a year of troubled economics, we can always focus on monetary Value. But there is so much more to the Lightning. This year a few noted Class members share their ideas and perspectives about the 'value' of the Lightning. The boat and the Class really offer a lot.

Enjoy catching up on last year as you prepare and sail during this coming season. We hope that you are inspired to do your best tackling the elements, having a blast on water and land, and totally love being a member of the Lightning Class.

Fair winds and full sails, Jan, Rebecca, and Sherryl

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BRIAN HAYES, SR.

The world in which we live is complex. It is constantly changing...and staying the same...and we find ourselves relearning the same lessons over and over again, even though they seem so "new." The theme of this yearbook is timely in that it speaks of the value of, not just the Lightning, but also of being a part of the Lightning family, as well as the benefits that sailing has on your health and your lifestyle—a way of "getting away from it all" when, nowadays, nothing seems like a better idea sometimes. We are slowly working out of a recession that, sans a very few, none of us has ever seen the likes. The uncertainty and instability that is attached to such an event is one that I hope that our kids and grandkids never see again, just as our parents and grandparents, who lived through the Great Depression, hoped for us.

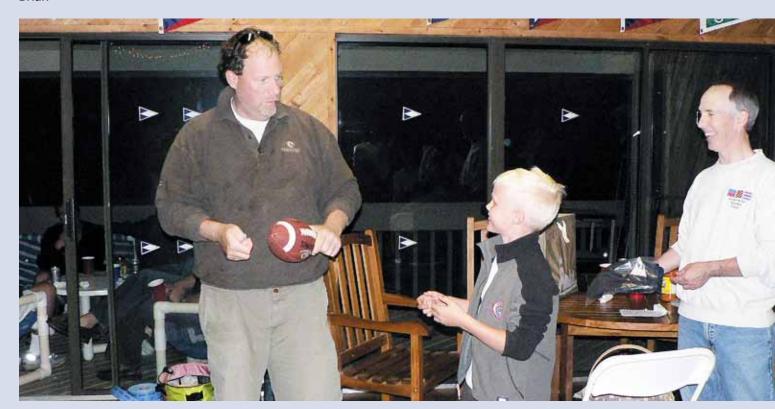
The Lightning was born in 1939 while the US was still in the grips of the Great Depression and, through the early 1940s and while still in the midst of a unstable and uncertain economy, the Lightning thrived. Thousands of boats were built before WW II, and thousands more in the decades that followed. People fell in love with the boat, the people and the Class and, when they had the means, they bought plans, boats, sails and joined other like minded committed folks and built fleets, friendships and life-long bonds. They built a family. They created a lifestyle. They followed their passion. It was a time even worse than we have experienced over the past two years, and yet there were people, dedicated people, continuing to help the Lightning prosper and expand.

This yearbook speaks about all the value the Lightning and the ILCA have brought, and will continue to bring, to anyone who has the want to follow their passion. You will find great stories about families rebuilding old boats together, improving their healthy habits because of sailing, and the passion that our member/authors have for the boat and the Class. It's my hope that anyone who reads this yearbook is inspired to bring back the good old days of the 1940s when the economy was in the dumps, folks were struggling to find work and, still, they found the camaraderie and fellowship of being a part of the Lightning family brought them a wealth that could not be measured in one's portfolio. Hopefully, reading these articles will lift your spirits and get you excited about sailing in the coming year because, even in the worst of times, you always have your family to support and help you through.

Many thanks to all who got this book to press. Jan, Sherryl, Rebecca and all the fleet captains, article authors and photographers. Many thanks for your time, energy and dedication.

Sail fast and have fun,

Brian



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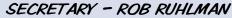
PRESIDENT - BRIAN HAYES, SR.

Born into a Lightning family, Brian has been a passionate Lightning sailor for his entire life. As the youngest of four, he was last in line for crew spots on his dad's Helms #10746 but found opportunities sailing with other CT/RI district sailors at various events throughout New England.

Entering the world's second oldest profession in 1983 (sailmaking), Brian enjoys the time he can spend sailing, while also helping others enjoy their sailing opportunities.

He has served the Class as VP NAs, VP Southern Circuit and ILCA Class Secretary. A three-time winner of the St. Pete Winter Championship as a skipper, he also has won the North Americans as a crew for Ched Proctor, as well as NA runner-up with Greg Fisher and 3rd in the Worlds with past President Steve Davis.

Beyond his capacities as ILCA President, his most important tasks include Little League coach for his son Brian Jr., softball coach for his daughter Olivia and house painter, lawn cutter, gardener, errand boy, etc. for his wife Kelley.



Rob was literally born into the Lightning Class as well as Fleet 36 at Pymatuning Yacht Club. Rob's dad, Jon Ruhlman, was already a member of both organizations and later went on to be ILCA Chief Measurer and President.

As a result of this fortuitous timing, Rob is a walking compendium of trivia useless to virtually everyone on the planet outside the Lightning class and Pymatuning Yacht Club.

Having grown up in the class as well as the Ohio District, Rob has had the pleasure of sailing with and against a veritable "Who's Who" of the Class. He participated in the inaugural Lightning Junior North Americans; built Lightnings with the Mueller family; has refurbished two pre-flotation Lippincotts; participated in numerous World Championships—the first in 1975; competed in countless North Americans and has a rather large collection of antiquated Lightning fittings and hardware.

As you might imagine, Rob's family is heavily involved in the Class: Abby has been sailing with Rob for over thirty years and their children, Ryan and Maegan, have seen great success in local, national and world Lightning events. Periodically, Rob takes time away from racing Lightnings to be CEO of Preformed Line Products Company, a worldwide manufacturer of hardware for the communication and energy industry. Rob and Abby also own Sailing, Inc., a full service boat yard in their hometown of Cleveland, Ohio.

TREASURER - JOHN FAUS

John started sailing Lightnings at age seven on his father's 10823 Helms. Growing up in the Barnegat Light Yacht Club's youth program, he later started racing Lightnings at age thirteen. His mentors, outside of his dad, have included Bill Clarke, Jack Elfman, Greg Fisher and Jim Carson. "As a junior sailor, I had no idea the gift that I was being given with learning how to sail." Unlike many other sports, sailing is a life-long sport where you can always continue to learn new things and improve.

While Lightning racing is a big part of being a member of the ILCA, meeting new people, enjoying various social events, and spending time with lifelong friends and family is equally important. Growth of the Lightning Class is important to John. Fleet Development, the Boat Grant Program, and just getting people to race or cruise is challenging, yet very rewarding. John is heavily active in recruiting and developing youth sailors and showing them how much fun sailing these boats can be. When not sailing, John likes to occasionally go fishing, work on his house and cheer for the New York Yankees and Washington Redskins. John resides in Rocky Hill, New Jersey, and spends extended summers in Harvey Cedars on Long Beach Island, New Jersey. He has worked in the sporting goods apparel business since graduating from Kenyon College. Although his yacht club is only 100 members strong, John is proud when his club is called upon to host a regatta because the membership comes together to throw a first class regatta as well as a 'not to miss' regatta party.



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CHIEF MEASURER - BILL CLAUSEN

Bill started racing Lightnings in 1947 on boat #134. He's owned #1495, #7195, #10895 and still has #14495.

He grew up racing in Ocean City on the New Jersey shore. Bill crewed and worked for some of the greats of the Lightning Class: Bob Seidelman, Marcy Lippincott, John Tiegland and Jim Carson. He learned a lot about Lightnings from them and continues to enjoy being involved in measurement and photographing at major events.

His son David sailed in four Junior NAs and crewed with Bill in the last Worlds Masters at Miami.

Bill has enjoyed being a part of the Executive Committee this year and hopes to continue to serve the Class as photographer and Chief Measurer in the years ahead.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER - VICTOR LOBOS

Although Victor was born in Chile, his first encounter with Lightnings was at the age of fourteen in Arcabutla Lake in Mississippi, where he met an excellent group of people who showed him how much fun the Class is. Back in Chile there were no Lightnings in his hometown of Concepción so he continued racing on Snipes and IMS boats.

After being away from the Class for ten years, he was invited to go to the Southern Circuit with the Longarela brothers from Argentina, where he not only learned a lot about sailing but was captured by the spirit of the Class. It is this spirit that has provided him with the enthusiasm to get more people involved with Lightnings and to make the Class stronger in Chile and South America.

Even though his work as an architect keeps him quite busy, Victor is always imagining ways to escape and go sailing at a Lightning event, be it in Chile or anywhere in the world.



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - JAN DAVIS

I grew up sailing in Newport Harbor, California. My grandparents had a home on the water where we spent weeks every summer, sailing, swimming, and going to Disneyland. Both of my grandfathers were sailors, as is my father. I was introduced to racing as a young teen, sailing in the many kid's races around the harbor. Steve and I met through sailing; we sailed Lehman 12s while we dated and after we were married.

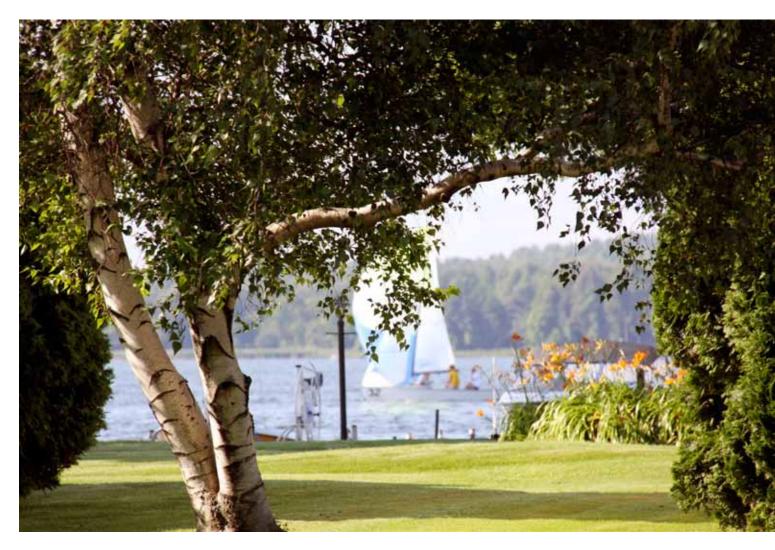
A business opportunity brought us to Denver, Colorado, away from the world of sailing, or so we thought at the time. With young kids our lives were full with music lessons, the usual myriads of sport and school activities. It dawned on us, as the kids were getting closer to high school graduation that we needed to "get a life." We saw boats sailing on the local reservoir one summer evening and decided to check it out. A week later we were proud owners of 11457. Steve and I got involved with the Denver Sailing Association. He was racing and I was cooking the after-sailing hamburgers. It was great to "return to our roots" and hang out with sailors again. Steve gradually got more and more involved with the ILCA, I started doing some crewing...next thing you know he's the Class President and I am the Class Secretary. The Lightning Class has become a HUGE part of our lives. We have had a wonderful experience getting to know all of you. I am so proud to support this outstanding organization with its dedicated volunteers and proud history in the One Design sailing community.

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2009	Brian Hayes, Sr	Bill Clausen	Rob Ruhlman	John Faus	Buczkowski, Carson, Hayes, Ruhlman
2008	Steven Davis	Bill Clausen	Brian Hayes	Robert Ruhlman	Buczkowski, Calderon, Carson, Ruhlman
2007	Steven Davis	Bill Clausen	Brian Hayes	Robert Ruhlman	Buczkowski, Calderon, Carson, Ruhlman
2006	Carter Utzig	Bill Clausen	Brian Hayes	Steve Davis	Buczkowski, Calderon, Carson, Terhune
2005	Carter Utzig	Bill Clausen	Brian Hayes	Steve Davis	Buczkowski, Calderon, Carson, Terhune
2004	Francisco Solá Tanca	Carter Utzig	Jim Carson	Steve Davis	Buczkowski, Burke, Calderon, Clausen, Huntsman
2003	Francisco Solá Tanca	Carter Utzig	Jim Carson	Steve Davis	Buczkowski, Burke, Calderon, Clausen, Huntsman
2002	Colin Park	Carter Utzig	Francisco Solá Tanca	Bob Harkrider	Buczkowski, Burke, Clausen, Hayden, Schmitt
2001	Mary Huntsman	Colin Park	Francisco Solá Tanca	Bill Fastiggi	Alman, Burke, Hayden, Schmitt, Utzig
2000	Mary Huntsman	Colin Park	Francisco Solá Tanca	Bill Fastiggi	Alman, Burke, Hayden, Schmitt, Utzig
1999	Calvin H Schmiege	Colin Park	Francisco Solá Tanca	Mary Huntsman	Alman, Burke, Schmitt, Utzig
1998	William Faude	Calvin H Schmiege	Matt Burridge	Frank Mergenthaler	Alman, Burke, Schmitt, Utzig
1997	William Faude	Calvin H Schmiege	Matt Burridge	Frank Mergenthaler	Atkinson, Ruhlman & Schmitt
1996	Paul Gelenitis	Calvin H Schmiege	William Faude	Frank Mergenthaler	Atkinson, Ruhlman & Schmitt
1995	Robert Harkrider, Jr	Paul Gelenitis	William Faude	Frank Mergenthaler	Atkinson, Ruhlman & Schmitt
1994	R A "Tony" McBride	Paul Gelenitis	Robert G Ruhlman	Robert Harkrider, Jr	Atkinson, Schmiege & Schmitt
1993	Michael Huffman	Christopher "Kip" Hamblet	R A "Tony" McBride	Robert Harkrider, Jr	Gelenitis & Schmiege
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1991	Fisk Hayden	Christopher "Kip" Hamblet	Michael Huffman	Robert Harkrider, Jr	Schmiege & McBride
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1989	Robert Wardwell	Carl Clipp	Jack Tibbs	Fisk Hayden	Clausen & Huffman
1988	Anne Allen	Robert Wardwell	Fisk Hayden	Jack Tibbs, Jr	Clipp, Clausen & Huffman
1987	David Sprague	Robert Wardwell	Anne Allen	Jack Tibbs, Jr	Clipp & Clausen
1986	Richard Guinan, Jr	David Sprague	Anne Allen	Jack Tibbs, Jr	Clipp & Wardell
1985	George R Hatfield	David Sprague	Anne Allen	Richard C Guinan, Jr	Clipp & Wardell
1984	Djoerd Hoekstra	George R Hatfield	Anne Allen	Richard C Guinan, Jr	Sprague & Wardell
1983	Paul A Huntsman	George R Hatfield	Richard C Guinan, Jr	Djoerd Hoekstra	Sprague & Wardell
1982	George V Fisher	Paul A Huntsman	Richard C Guinan, Jr	Thomas R Bierman	Hatfield, Hoekstra & Norstrom
1981	Geroge V Fisher	Paul A Huntsman	Djoerd Hoekstra	David W White	Gotschalk, Hatfield & Norstrom
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1960	Burrows Marley	James G Carson	John M McIntosh	Martin O"Meara, Jr	Herman Henschen
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1957	Robert C Mann	Carleton J Allan	T J Ross, Jr	Allen R Oberson	H J Cawthra
1956	Ross G Allen	Robert C Mann	Burrows Morley	Allen R Oberson	Carlton J Allan
1955	Clifford J Prados	Ross G Allen	Jay Donnovan	Burrows Morley	Robert Mann
1954	C B Crittenden	Clifford J Prados	Jay Donnovan	Len Ladenburger	Ross G Allen
1953	H Richard Krauss	C B Crittenden	Len Ladenburger	Charles H Dore, III	Clifford Prados
1952	Wayne L Brockett	H Richard Krauss	C B Crittenden	Charles H Dore, III	Clifford O'Kane
1951	Walter E Swindeman, Jr	H Richard Krauss	Wayne L Brockett	Ed B Overton	
1950	LeRoy Amy	Walter E Swindeman, Jr	Wayne L Brockett	Alfred V Amy	
1949	Karl Smither	Walter E Swindeman, Jr	Wayne L Brockett	W A Grimm	
1948	Edward McCain	Arthur Burtscher	LeRoy Amy	Henry Williams	
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