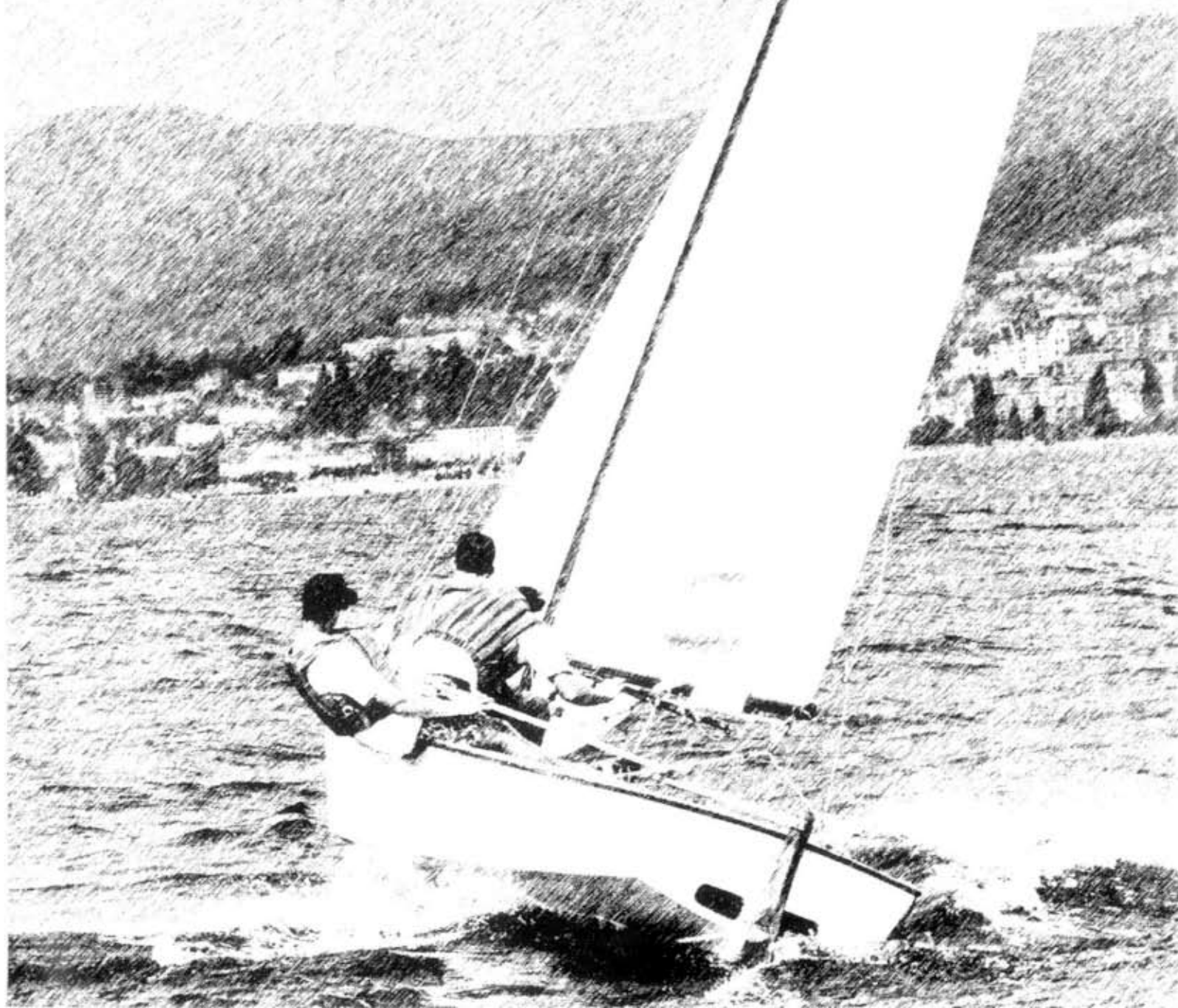


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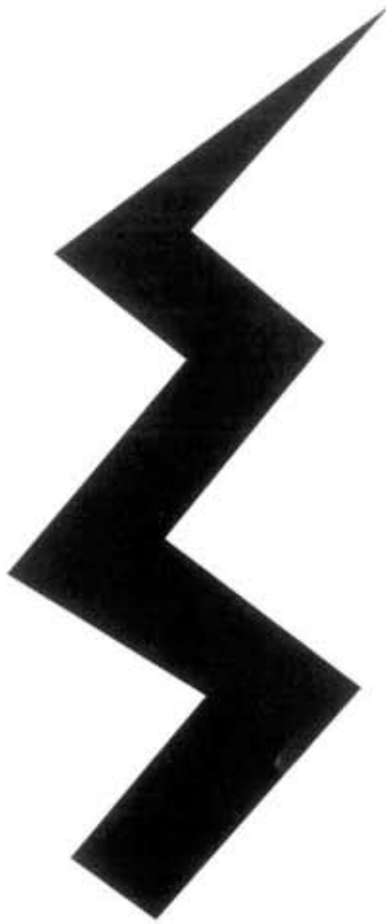
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The International Lightning Class dedicates the 1995 Yearbook to the life of a man whose generous spirit, kind heart, commitment to sportsmanship and plain gumption, created a glowing standard of humanity for all who knew him.



John W. Mueller, Sr.
“Papa John”
July 28, 1918 - July 4, 1994

“As Commodore of the Cleveland Yachting Club, I have the privilege of speaking on behalf of the 800 members and their families about John Mueller. His 42 years of service and all that he did for our Junior and Senior sailing programs has earned him a legend status which will never fade.

As he did with hundreds of other young sailors, he taught me by example that the most important part of racing sailboats, and real life, was the value of sportsmanship.

This year at CYC’s annual sailing banquet, the “John W. Mueller Memorial Trophy” will be presented for the first time (and then annually) to the sailor who comes closest to achieving the monumental standards of yacht racing sportsmanship which Papa John has left us. I can think of no better tribute to this great man.”

- Chuck Inglefield, Commodore
Cleveland Yachting Club

“John, long a Lightning innovator, was delighted when a partially destroyed hull turned up at the boat shop. Now he had a Lightning with which he could try out many of his latest ideas.

So, off I went to the races with a 550 lb. boat without a skeg, with a high floor, no centerboard trunk (spray drained through the slot in the floor), an aluminum daggerboard which could be moved fore and aft to balance the helm, and a not yet approved oval mast and boom.

Upon my return, I told him about the problems encountered at the regatta, and the weird stares of competitors. He thought for a long time. Finally, with a sly grin he conceded, “Maybe a Lightning does need a skeg.”

- Bill Buckles
Mueller Marine, Inc.

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President's Message

Our Class has grown through the active involvement of its members. It's more than a fun boat to sail, it's a fun organization to belong to.

In 1983, I purchased my first Lightning. Eleven boats and many regattas later, I am amazed at the support, enthusiasm, and friendship I have seen from Lightning sailors I have met all over the world. We truly have an International Class we can be proud of.

Our future is bright having members like you.

Cover Design

Audrey Matteson

A "most suitable photo" for the cover of the yearbook, taken at the World Youth Championship by Joël Von Allmen, professional photographer in Neuchâtel, Switzerland, who represented his country in the first World Youths in Peru, 1978. . .

. . .happens to be of an United States team from Fleet 31, Devils Lake, Michigan: Mike Thomas, skipper, Andy Paullin, and Charlie Wardwell (Virginia). (Editor's note: I'm proud to say that Mike is 'one of my skippers.' I enjoyed sailing with him in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 1994, and have known his family for 19 years.)

The original photo was scanned into Photoshop (on a Macintosh 840AV) and then manipulated with the Graphic Pen filter of the Gallery Effects, Volume 1, program extension.

Officers of the International Lightning Class Association



PRESIDENT—Robert Harkrider, Jr.

Bob's sailing career began in 1978. He purchased his first Lightning in 1983. Many Lightnings and many regattas later, he and his wife Sharon are currently residing in Augusta, Georgia. He is a past Commodore of the Augusta Sailing Club and Southeastern Lightning District. He also has served as Class Vice President and has been Treasurer of the Class for the last four years.

Bob is a CPA and manages his own accounting firm.

SECRETARY - William G. Faude

Bill began sailing in 1969 and started sailing Lightnings at the Southern Circuit in 1978. What took so long? In the years since, he has owned two boats and begged and borrowed about 32 others. Who could forget such awesome yachts as "Psychological Scar Tissue" or "Good Night Mr. Helms" or even "Former Panamanian Strongman"? Currently Bill is sailing hull number 14530 "Public Bus".

Along with his two really cool cats, Byrde and Traine, Bill lives in Chicago where he's a member of Lightning Fleets 69 (Milwaukee) and 5 (Chicago). He's employed by Bozell Advertising as a copywriter. He loves hard chines.



TREASURER - Frank Mergenthaler

Frank has been sailing Lightnings since 1978, purchasing his own boat in 1986. He is a member of Fleet 70, sailing out of Monmouth Boat Club on the Navesink River in Red Bank, New Jersey. He is married, wife Brenda, with two children, Christopher and Laurena.

Frank is a CPA and works for Price Waterhouse in New York City. He resides in Middletown, New Jersey.

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Paul lives in Kearny, New Jersey. He has been an I.L.C.A. member since 1975. He is a partner in the law firm of Gelenitis & McGuire with his wife Terri.



HONORARY COMMODORE - R. A. "Tony" McBride

Tony began sailing when he was four, then graduated through a number of classes until purchasing his first Lightning in 1986. His home club is Pointe Claire Yacht Club, just outside of Montreal.

His wife Cathy is an occasional crew on the Southern Circuit, more for the social aspects and to get away from Canadian winters than for the competition. Which is just as well, since Tony's well rehearsed role seems to be to provide a back of the fleet for those at the front! In his off hours, Tony operates his own advertising agency.



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - Karen Johnson

Karen's Dad bought his first Lightning 'way back when' at Delta Sailing Association in Memphis. She sailed with Dad on Lake Arkabutla most of the time before she left for college.

After getting a degree in Psychology, she settled in Chicago, where she sailed with some of the good Lightning sailors, became a sailmaker and then a computer specialist. She now lives in Columbus with her son, Evan Kirkpatrick.





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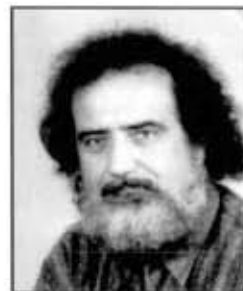
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