



# CLASSIC TIMES

Classic Yacht Association, Southern California Fleet

WINTER, 2009

## 2009 EVENTS

March 21  
OPENING DAY  
Queen Mary

April 25  
AFFILIATE'S  
BARBEQUE -  
LANDLUBBER'S  
AUCTION

May 16  
PREDICTED LOG  
RACE

June 19-21  
COMMODORE'S  
CATALINA CRUISE

July 25-27  
OLD FASHIONED  
DAY IN THE PARK

August 1-3  
SEAFEST

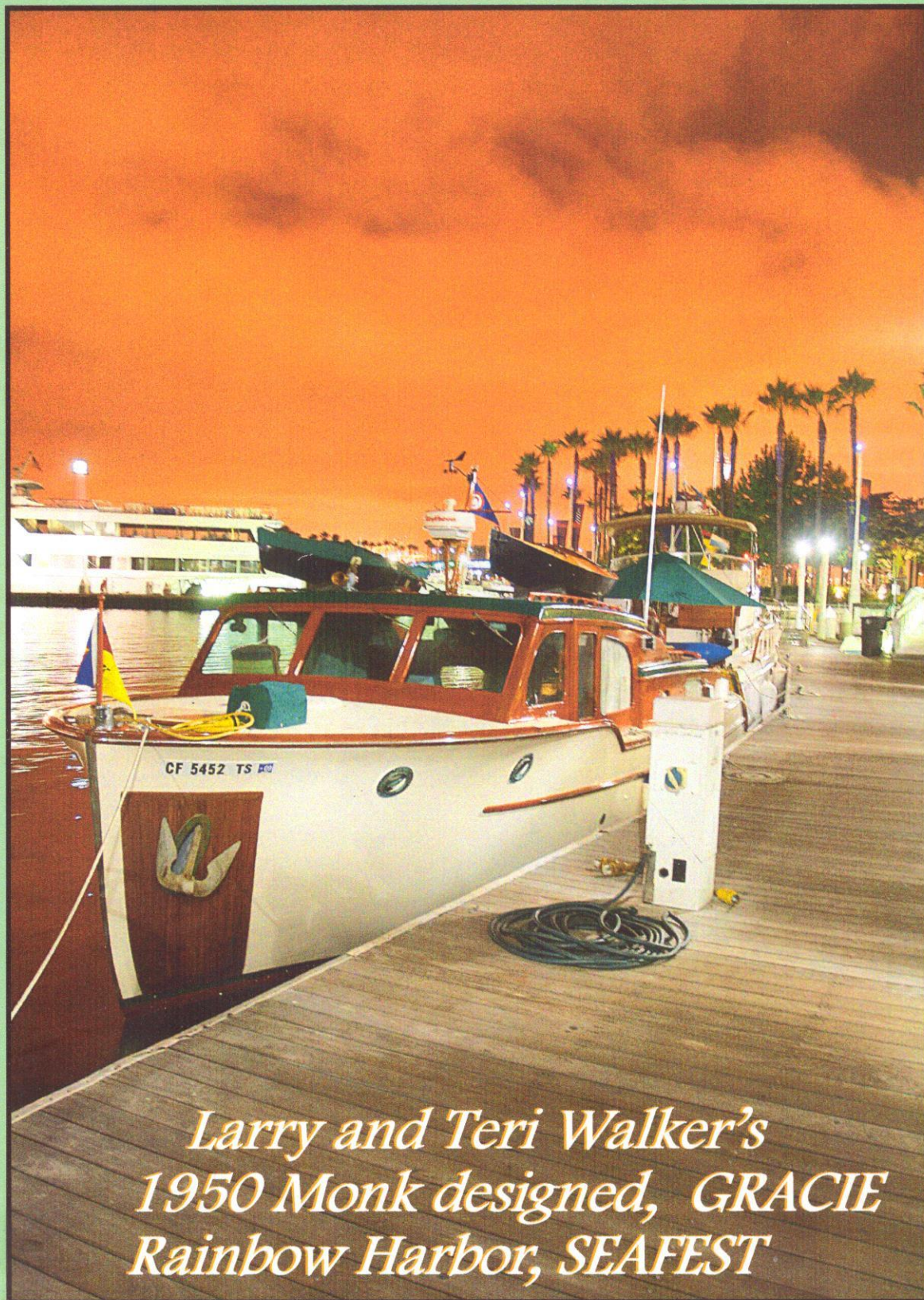
August 15-16  
MARINA PACIFICA

September -TBA  
WHITE ISLAND  
RENDEZVOUS

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CHANGE OF  
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January 2010  
INTERNATIONAL  
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## *2008 - YEAR IN REVIEW ISSUE*

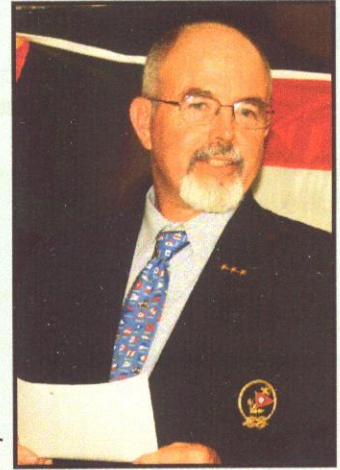


*Larry and Teri Walker's  
1950 Monk designed, GRACIE  
Rainbow Harbor, SEAFEST*

## *Note from the Bridge, Commodore, Dennis Ballard*

Hi Everyone,

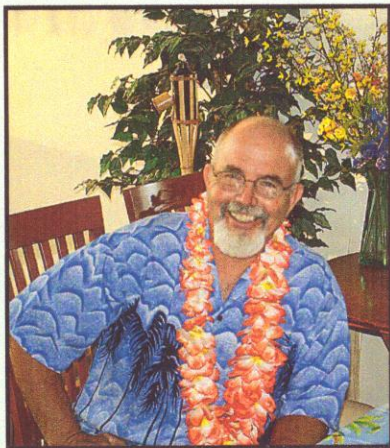
On November Twenty-third the Southern Fleet came together for our local Change of Watch. I had the pleasure of becoming your 2009 Commodore, stepping in to allow Vice Commodore Sean Connolly to focus on his new business venture, which is taking most of his time. Christine Rohde has once again agreed to become our Rear Commodore, Cathy Yatch remains Secretary, and Rick Olson remains our Fleet Captain and Newsletter Editor. Many thanks from the fleet to Commodore Tom Brown for a job well done in 2008.



Southern California Classic Yacht Association is representative of the rest of the country. Our membership is down by 25%, and we feel the loss of those members and long time friends. Throughout the country membership is down as people cope with the economic conditions. As your Commodore this year I will do my best to retain current members and ask that all of us try to maintain contact with those who did not renew. You still have till the end of February to stay in the fold. We are all friends in this Association and as friends we need to stick together even during tough times.

We have a busy year ahead and my expectation is to have fun and share some good events again this year. I ask everyone to find good stuff for Jim Butz and I to auction off at this year BBQ and Auction. I look forward to a Catalina cruise again and a great Seafest at Long beach. Marina del Rey will top the list again as our biggest event; we all need to promote this and show Southern California what Classic Boating is all about. Please get your vessels ready for travel and good times this year, as Opening Day is right around the corner.

Best Regards,  
Dennis Ballard



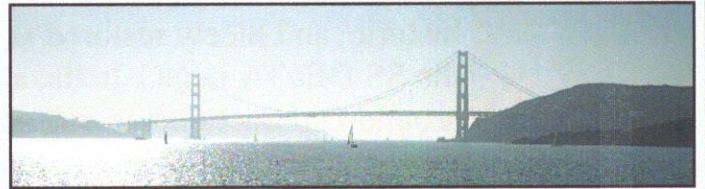
# International Change of Watch

## Northern California Fleet Hosts a Fun Weekend!

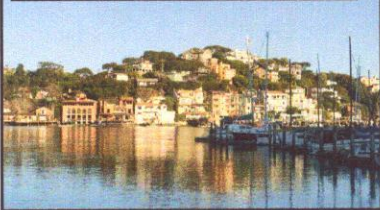
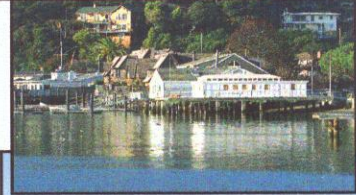
-by Rick. Olson

### Tiburon, California.

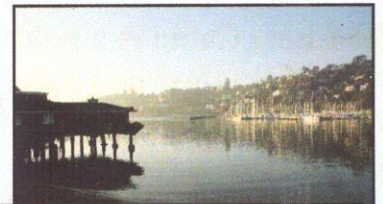
The waters edge hotel had a nice little room in the lobby where they served wine and cheese every afternoon. It seemed that here was where we always hooked up with



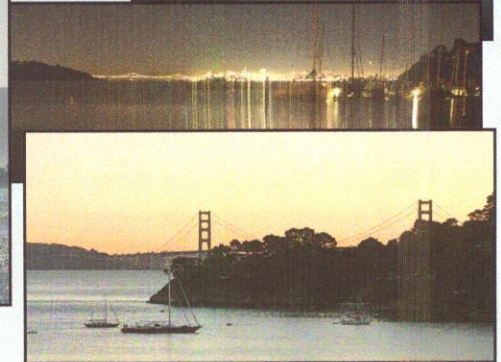
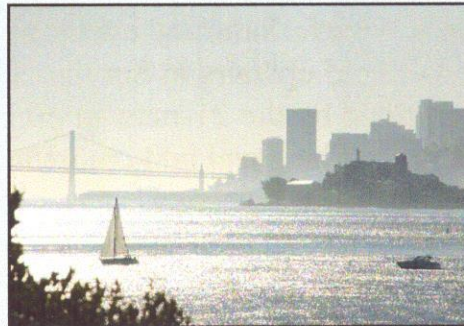
friends and got our activities going for the night or day. Thursday evening was a low key arrival evening. A few of us tried the restaurant next door called Sam's Seafood. It is a local landmark with a friendly feel. Sam's is kind of a cross between fine dining and a local watering hole. Sam's has a huge patio outside along the bay and you should have seen the crowds of college age people going there on this sunny weekend.



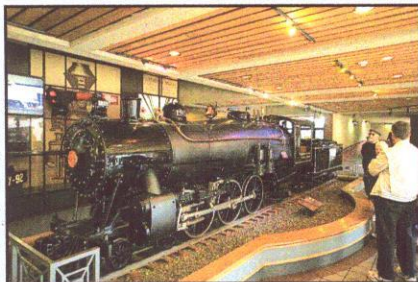
Speaking of sunshine, our Northern California friends got very lucky with the weather. It was sunny and beautiful with no wind during the whole weekend. We were able to be outside in shirtsleeves usually



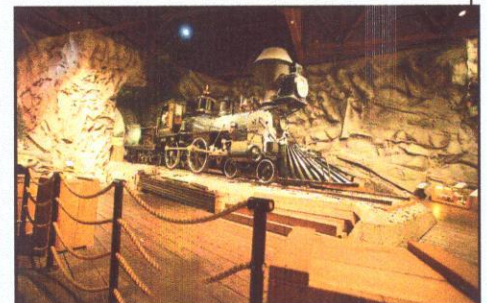
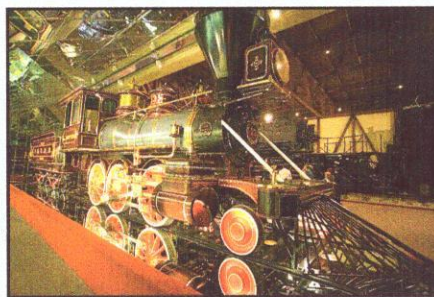
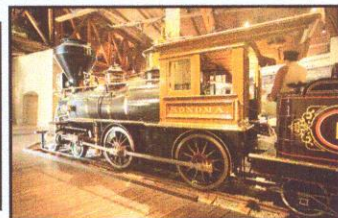
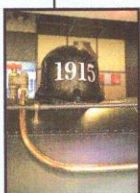
wearing light jackets only at night. That us pretty remarkable for San Francisco Bay in January.



Friday mornings van ride to Sacramento took us through sections of the famous California Delta of the



Sacramento River. Arriving in Old Town Sacramento we checked into the California Railroad Museum. I just figured we would see some old train stuff...ho humm. This museum was much more than I had anticipated. There were dozens of old locomotives and rail cars





all detailed out like show cars or perhaps like our classic yachts on Opening Day. Full scale dioramas of train tunnels, movies about the transcontinental railroad, and actually a lot of interesting California History. Our tour guide filled in at the museum displays with stories about the old days. Lots of interesting tales about the early part of the 20th century, a time of trains and classic yachts. We ate lunch on a



historic and nicely restored stern wheeler riverboat, the SS DELTA KING. In the afternoon we hung around Old Sacramento and shopped. Driving back through the Delta at sunset we re-

turned to Tiburon in time for a short nap and then off to the Friday evening Welcome Cocktail party.



Cocktails were served in the "China Cabin" a completely restored deck cabin that is all that is left of the SS CHINA. The SS CHINA was a transpacific deluxe steam ship built in New York in 1867. This was the height of luxury travel and was used for quick trips around the horn to San Francisco and across the Pacific to the Orient. The inside of

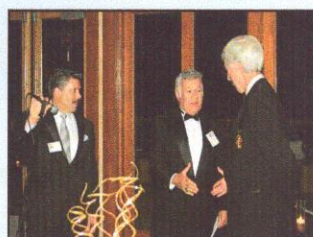


the China Cabin is a gold gilded wooden masterpiece.

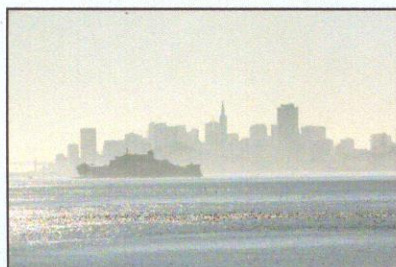
Saturday and Sunday morning's meetings were held at the nearby San Francisco Yacht Club. On Saturday afternoon 15 of us took a ferry across the bay and toured the Liberty Ship JEREMIAH O'BRIEN in her berth at Fisherman's Wharf. Saturday evening's tra-



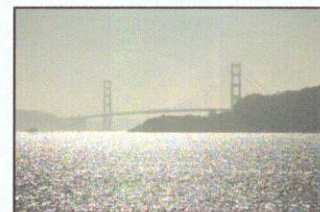
ditional Change of Watch banquet was held upstairs in Servino's Restaurant just a few doors away from the hotel. We were entertained by the 21-man singing group "The Son's of the Sea" from the San Francisco Yacht Club. The gavel and command were passed from Commadore David Gillespie to new Commadore Jim Sweeney.

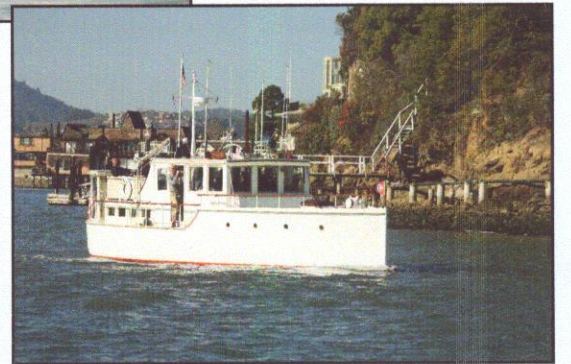
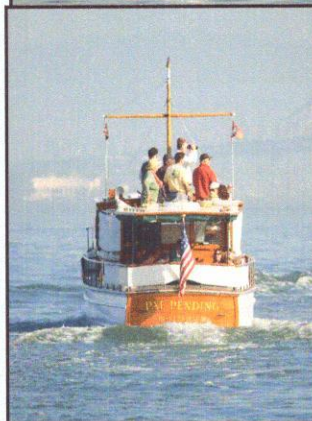
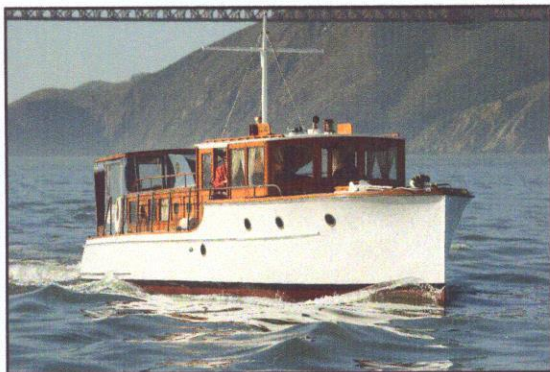
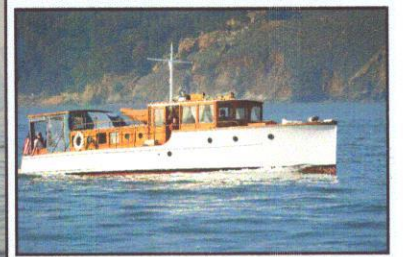
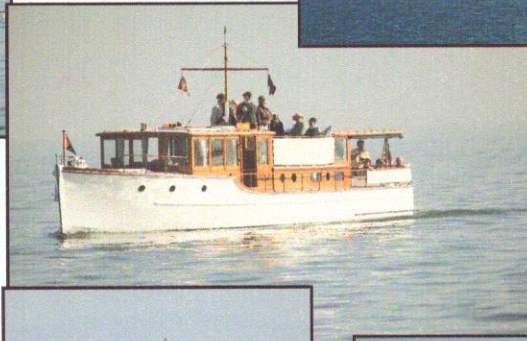
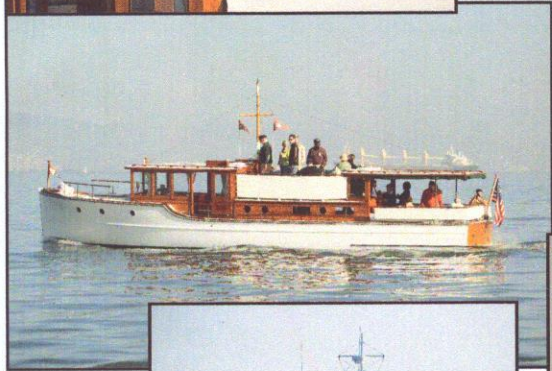
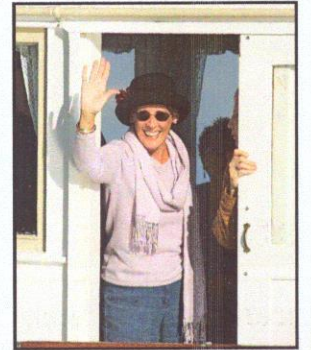
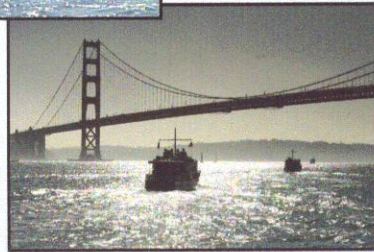
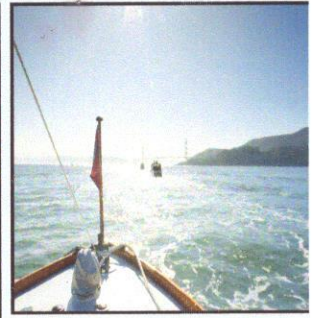
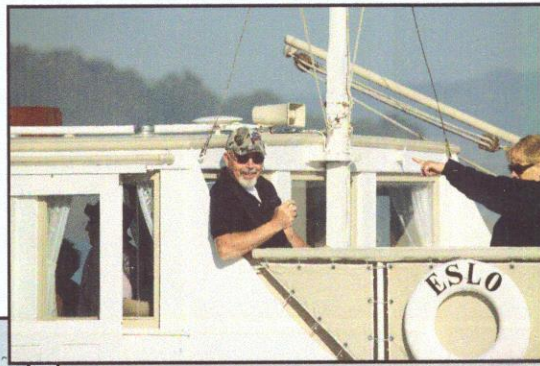
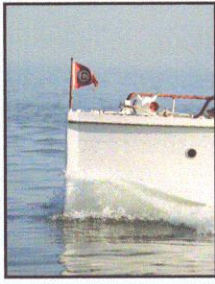
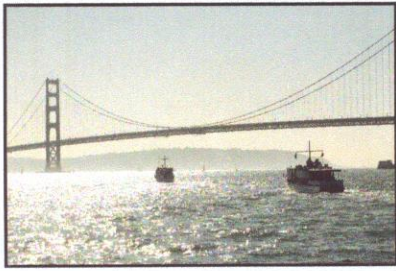


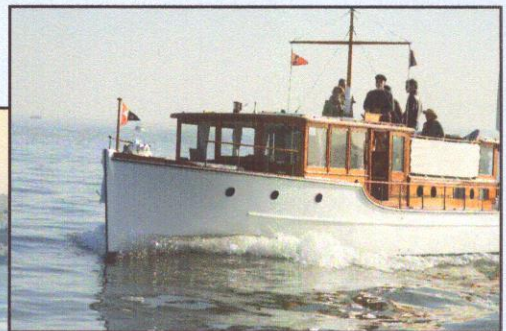
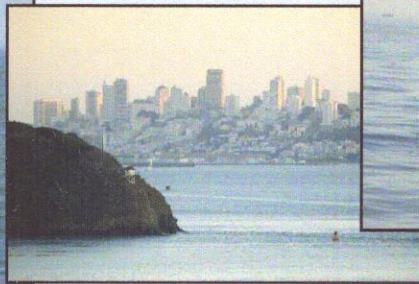
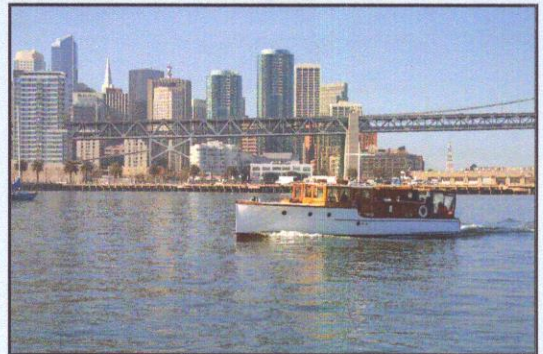
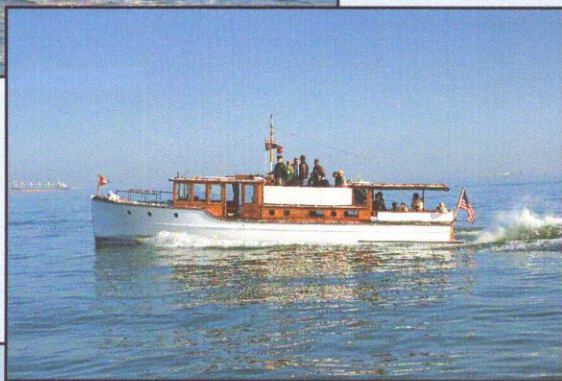
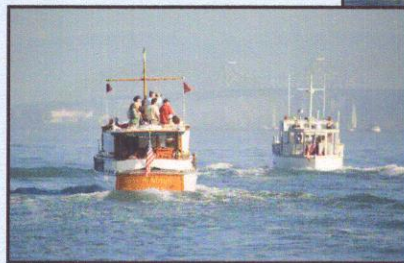
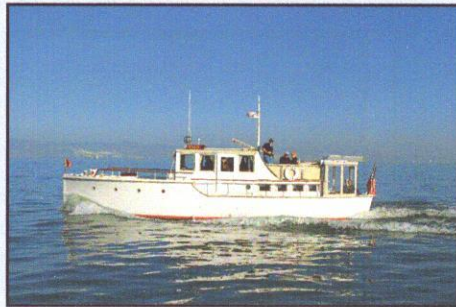
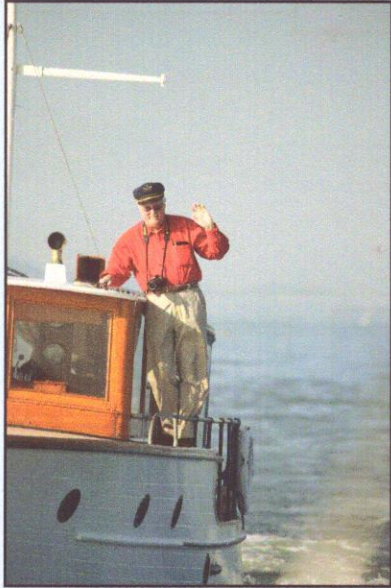
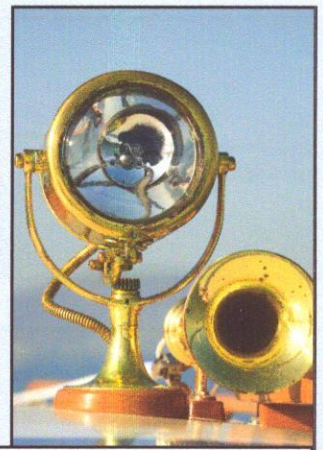
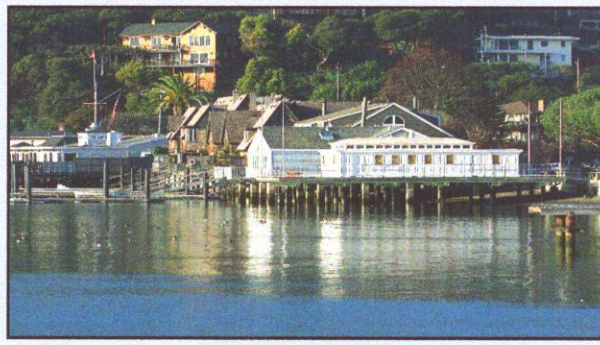
After Sunday mornings director meeting we were taken on a Bay cruise by four Northern Cal Fleet member yachts: NORTH STAR II, COLLEEN, ESLO, and PAT PENDING. As I



mentioned the weather was perfect and the San Francisco Bay water was calm and sparkling. We cruised under the Golden Gate Bridge and it is as big and impressive as you might imagine. Many thanks to the Northern California Fleet for sponsoring such a fine weekend.







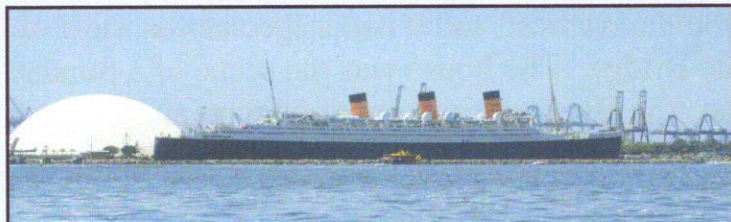
# Get Ready !!

Watch for separate fliers in your mail.

## Spring Events are Just Around the Corner

Saturday, March 21st

### *OPENING DAY ON THE QUEEN MARY*



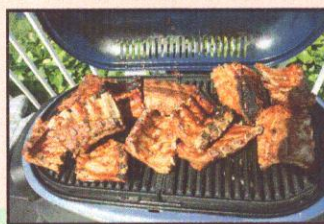
Opening Day Ceremony, Lunch in the Chelsea Room overlooking Long Beach, Stroll the decks and explore the ship.



Saturday, April 25th

### *AFFILIATE'S BARBECUE*

### *and LANDLUBBER'S AUCTION*



GREAT FUN AND GOOD FOOD TOO. Bring donations for the auction, Hawaiian Theme so

## **ALOHA !!**

Saturday, May 16th

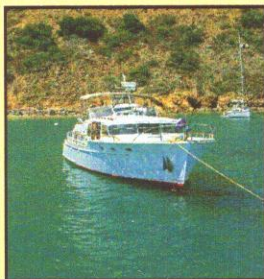
### *PREDICTED LOG RACE*



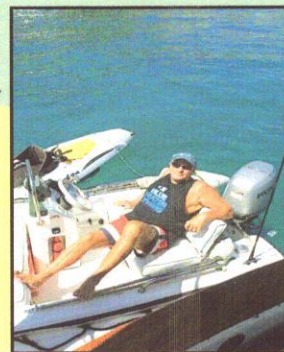
Lock up your clocks and watches because it's time again to try your skill at predicting the time it will take you to run our cruise course. This fun day is a great opportunity to take friends for a classic boat ride.

Fri. - Sun. June 19-21

### *COMMODORE'S CRUISE to EMERALD BAY*

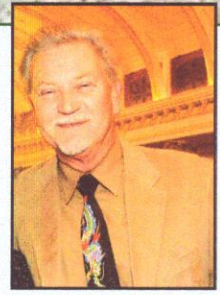


Relax in the calm clear waters of Emerald Bay. Joint your CYA friends and new friends from Corsairs Yacht Club for this wonderful weekend get-a-way.



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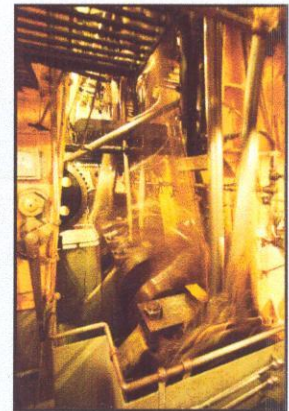
\*\*\*Quote of the month. When asked how he likes retirement, Jim Butz responded, "it has its ups and downs. One day your dining on wine and cheese in a Paris café and the next day your eating cold beans out of the can over your kitchen sink". \*\*\* In Tiburon for the International Change of Watch, Anna, Peter, and Dennis became frustrated with the hotel that couldn't seem to get a reservation right. They cancelled their rooms and rented a neat house overlooking the town.. The house was cheaper than their rooms would have been and it had a spectacular view of the San Francisco, the bay, and the Golden Gate Bridge. The house was the scene of a Sunday evening birthday party for Rob Blayden that Ann Blayden had kept as a secret surprise. Happy Birthday Rob. \*\*\*



The Canadian Fleet received its charter during the Change of Watch. Michael O'Brien is the Canada fleet's first commodore. \*\*\* Speaking of O'Brien, we visited the WWII Liberty Ship "Jeremiah O'Brien" (no relation to Tommy) while in San Francisco. It is quite famous for surviving 11 crossings of the English Channel to Normandy, four trans Atlantic crossings and then being dispatched to the Pacific to aid in the fighting there. It is a CYA Honorary Member. Our

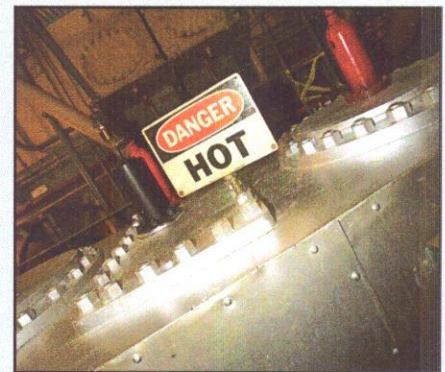


timing was perfect as the crew was running her 3 cylinder steam engine while we were on board. It was very cool, actually it was hot, seeing the huge crankshaft and connecting rods flying by at a blistering 28 RPMs. \*\*\* The Northern California Fleet also took us to Old Town Sacramento and to the California State Railroad Museum. This was an amazing



look back at the history of the railroads around the times of our Classic Yachts. I would call this a "must see" next time your in Sacramento. \*\*\*

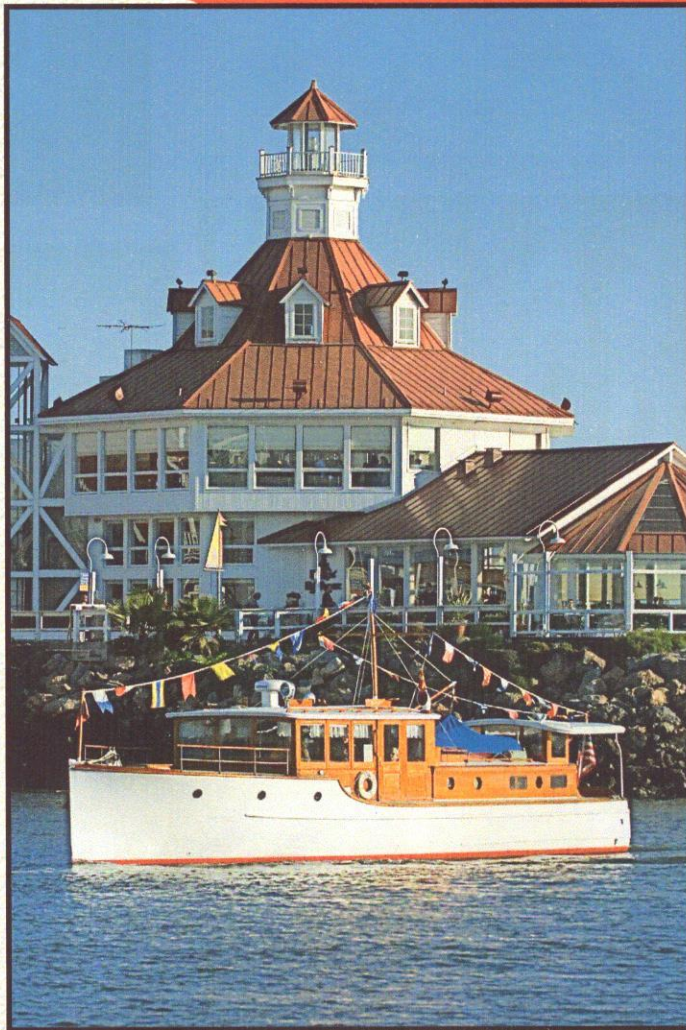
\*\*\* **Great Truth of the Month department:** "Shake, shake, shake, the Ketchup bottle, none will come and then a lot'll" ! ...hey, did you ever notice how some folks say "ketchup" and some say "catsup"? Well, the controversy over this condiment stems back to over a century ago. During the Spanish American War the Army found a locally made greasy paste made from vinegar, lard, sugar, and tomato worked well for greasing the axles on their gun carriages. It worked so well in fact that the artillery sometimes moved faster than the infantry. The caisson drivers would shout back to their infantry colleagues. "Catch up, Catch up". Once the artillery was parked in place the artillerymen noticed that the local feline population found the tomato-based grease irresistible. One soldier wrote home, "that you should see the cats 'sup' on our caisson grease". Shortly thereafter some bold soldier tried it himself and before long many soldiers were dipping their bread into the axle grease bucket. These two incidents jointly gave rise to the popular name for this tasty goo. Catsup or Ketchup, both are correct. I hope you don't really believe this story from the Uncyclopedia web site. It was just to cute to pass up. \*\*\*





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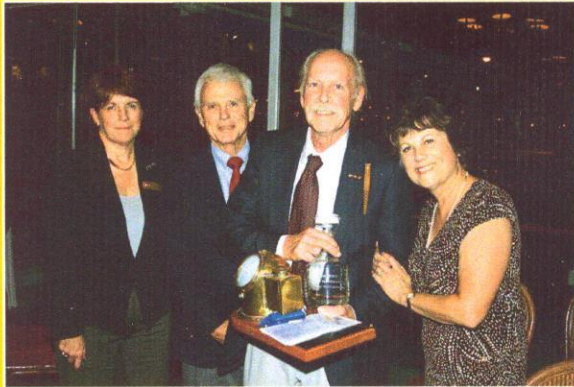
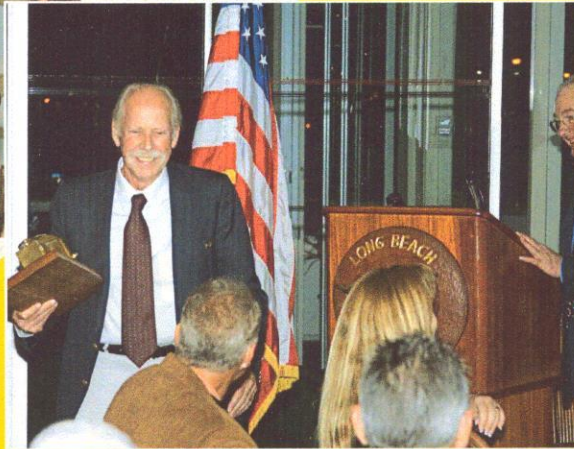
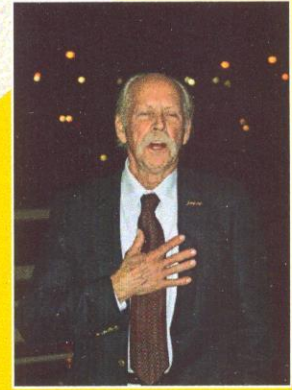
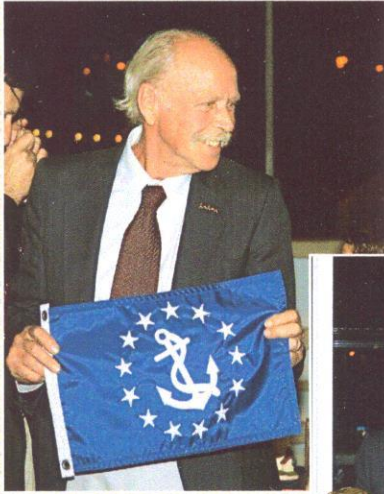
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# CHANGE OF WATCH

## Long Beach Yacht Club

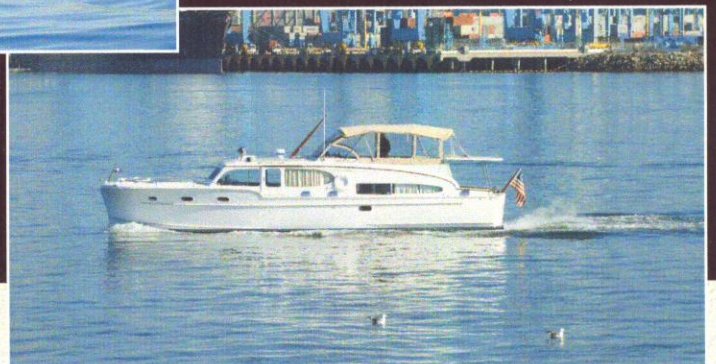
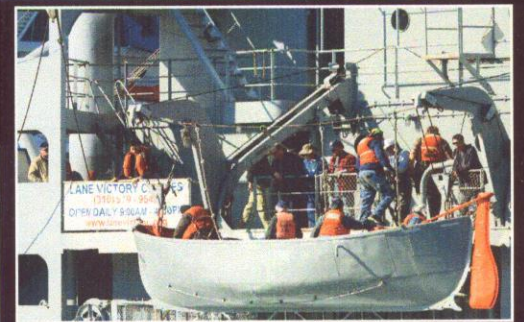
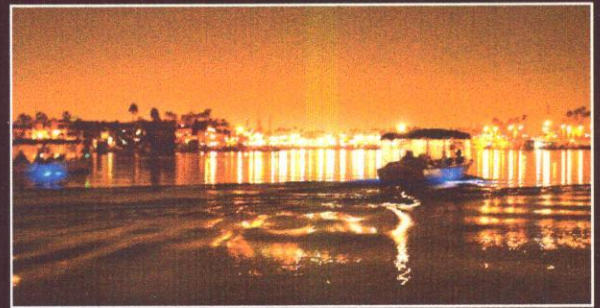
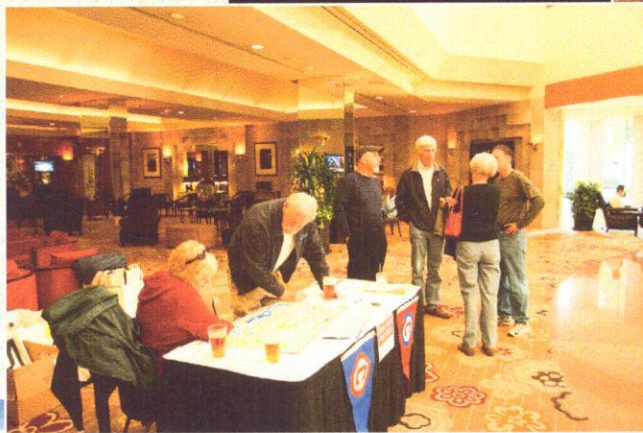


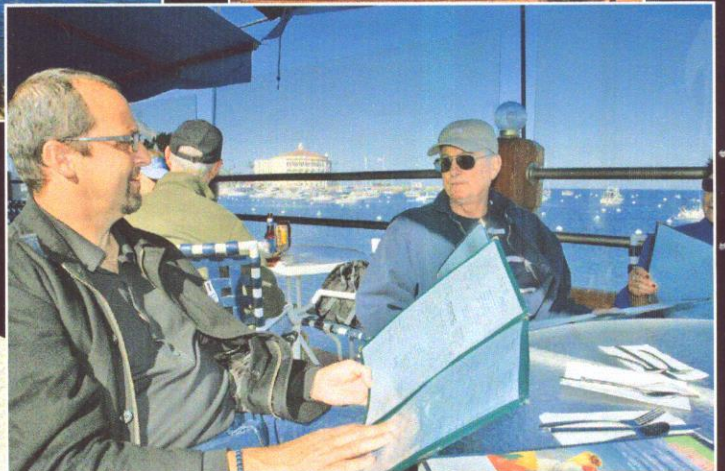
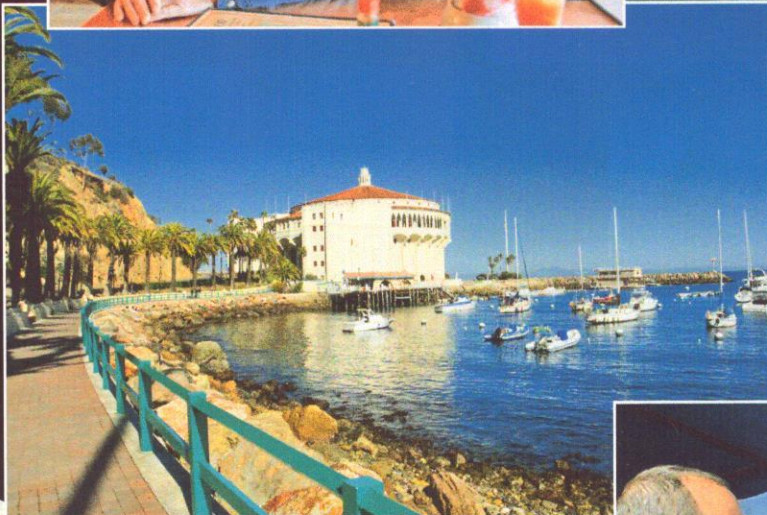
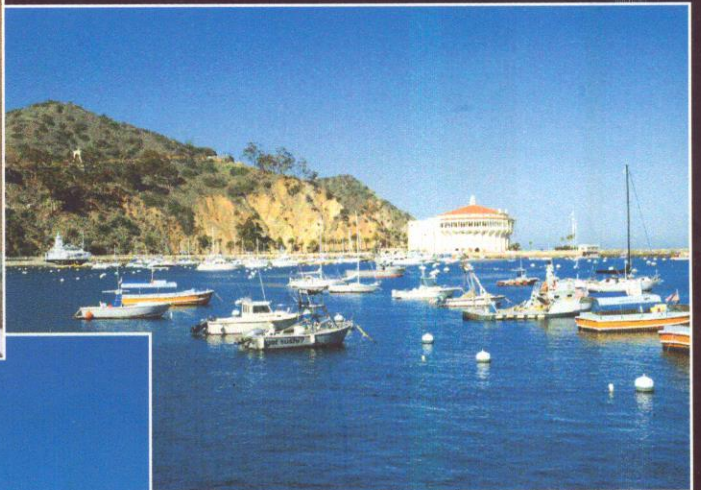
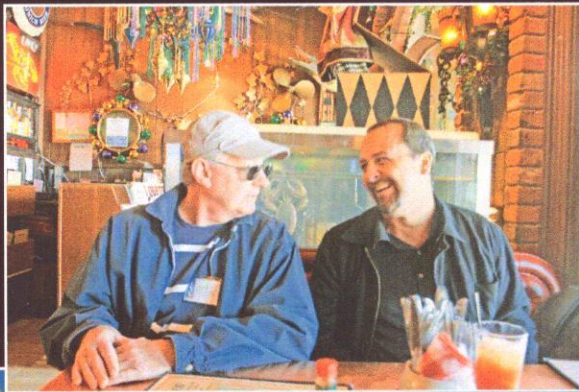
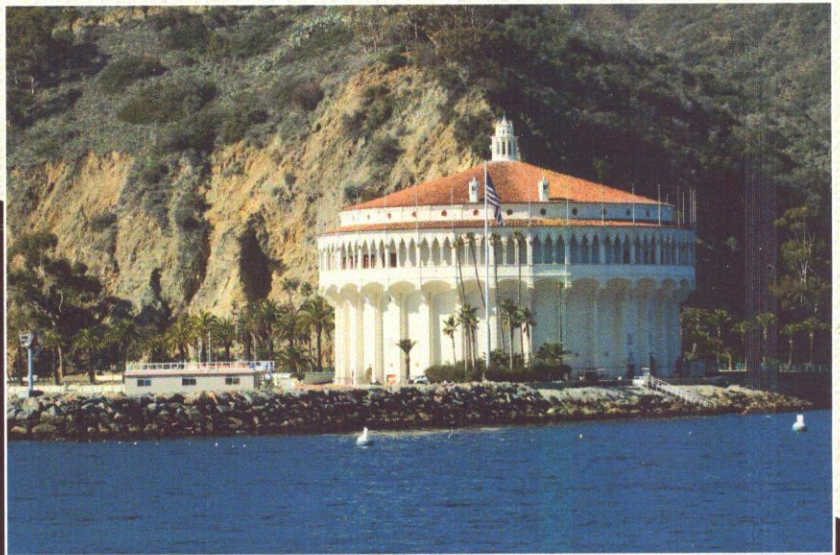
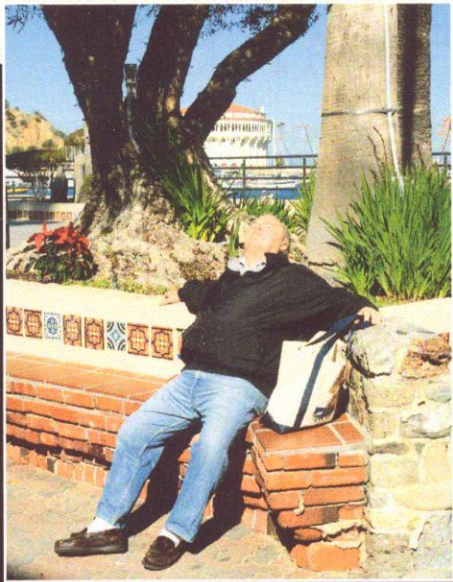
*Thank you for serving the Southern California Fleet.*

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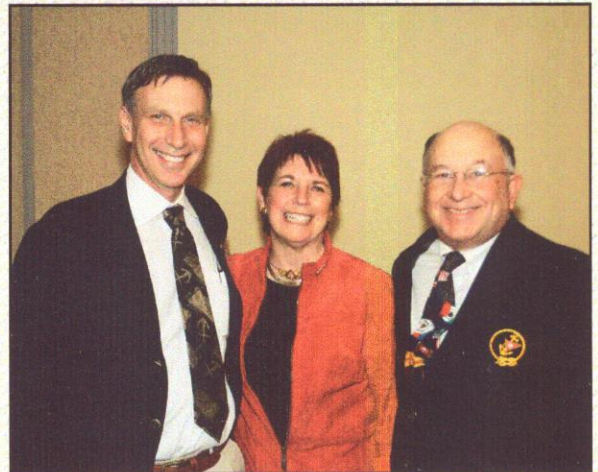
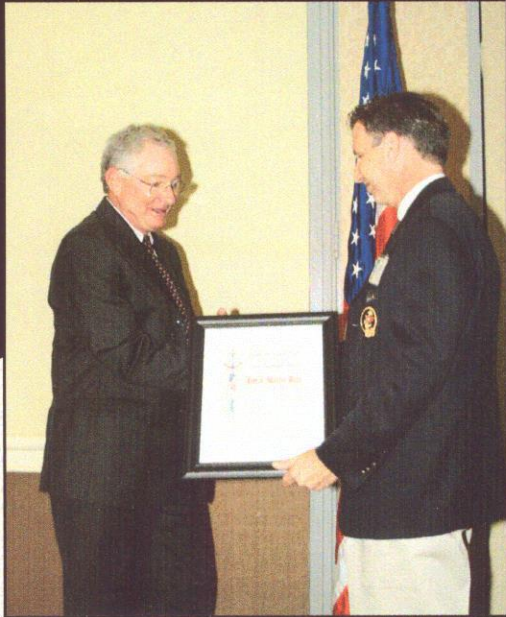
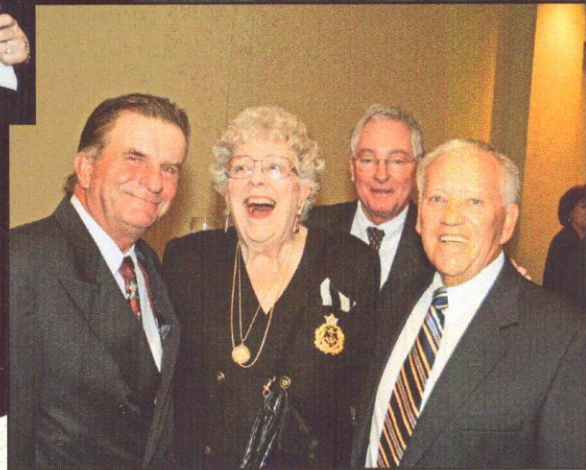
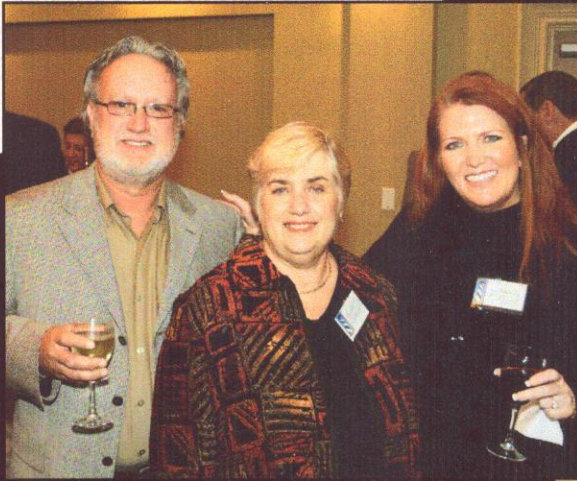
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Hilton Hotel, Long Beach, January 2008

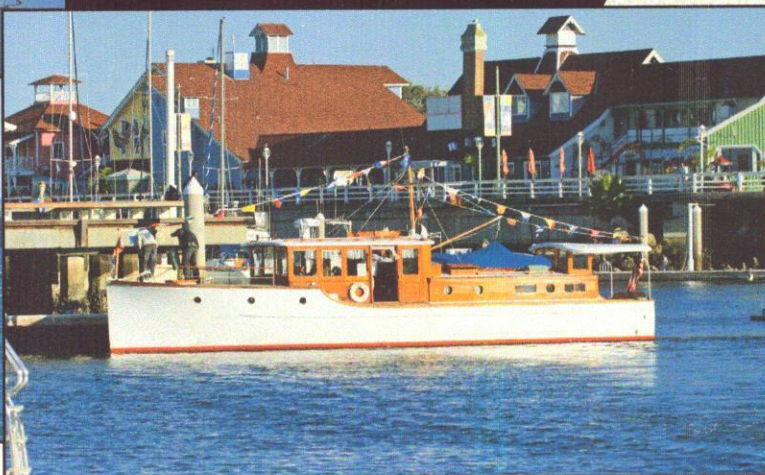
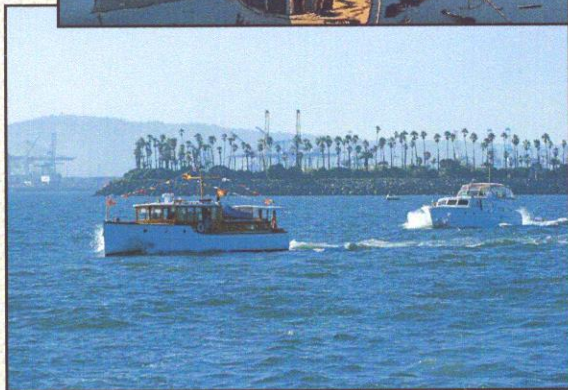
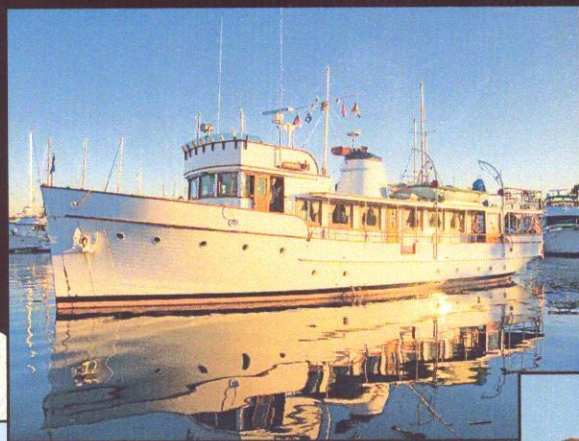




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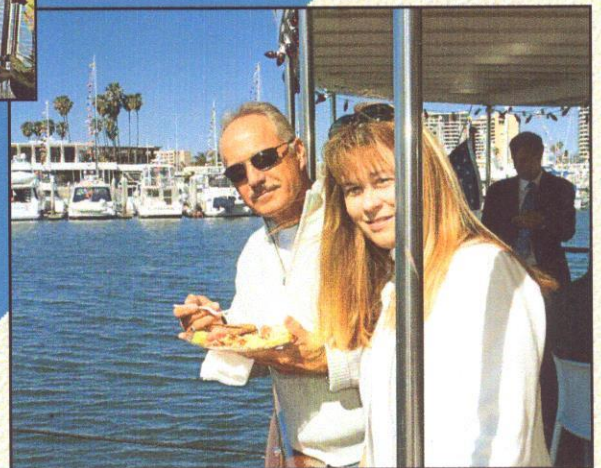
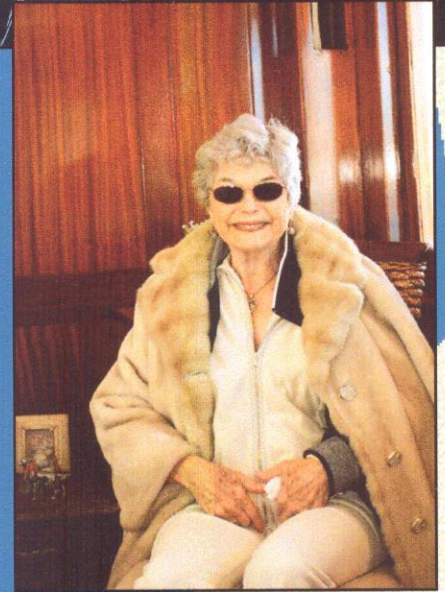
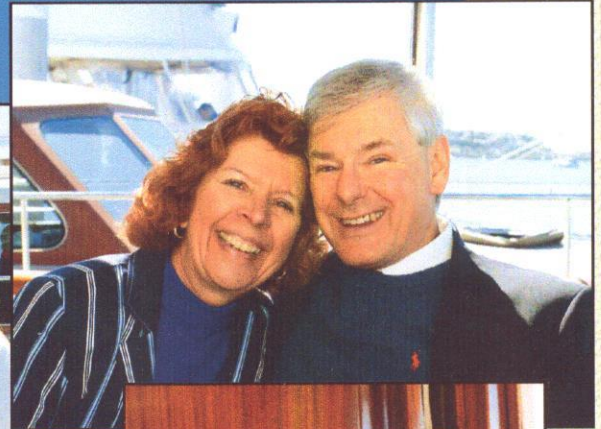
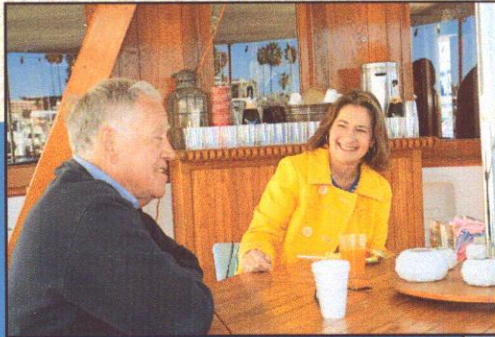
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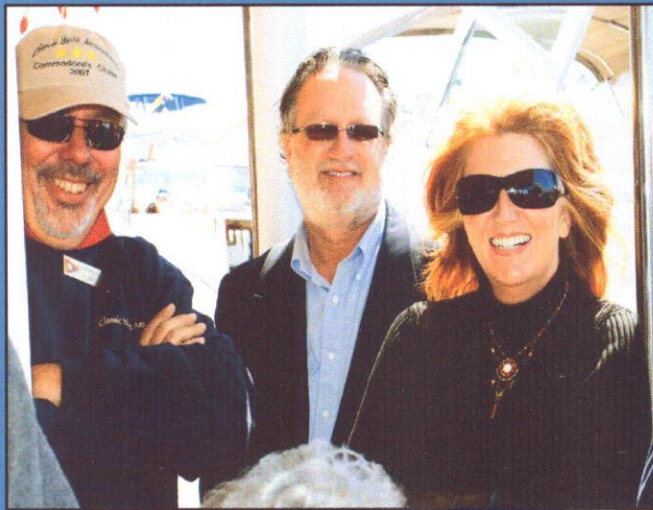
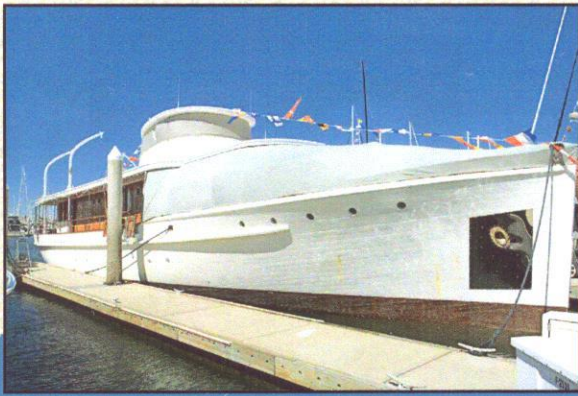


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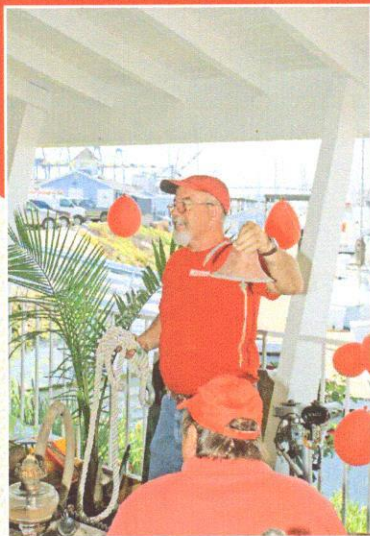
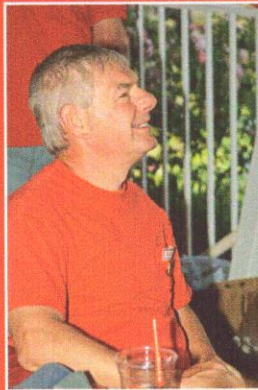
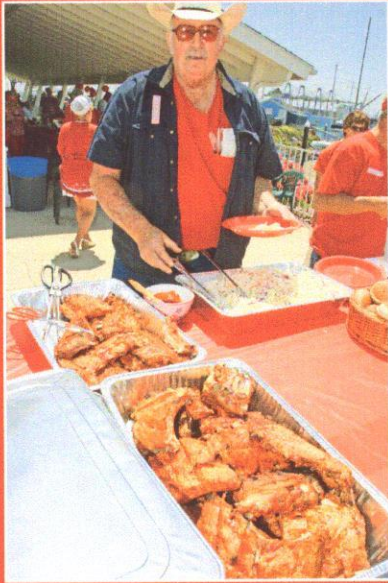
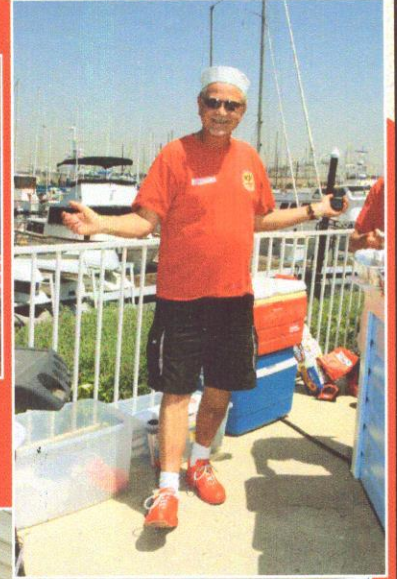




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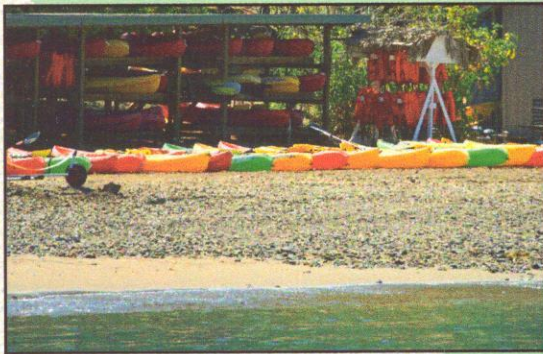
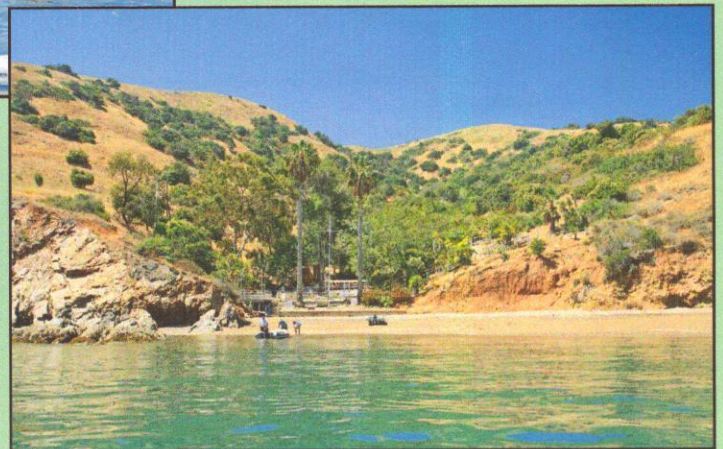
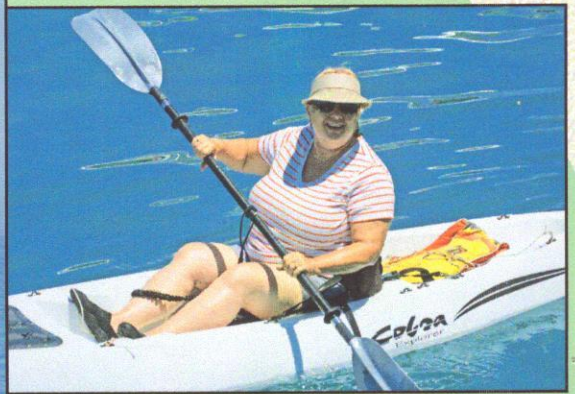
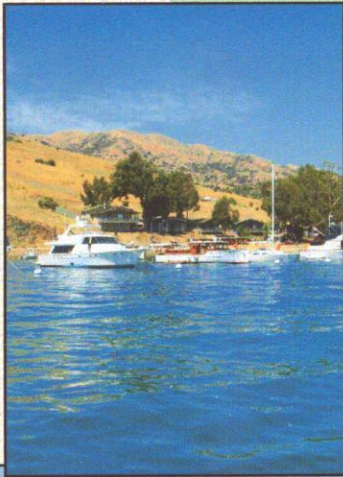


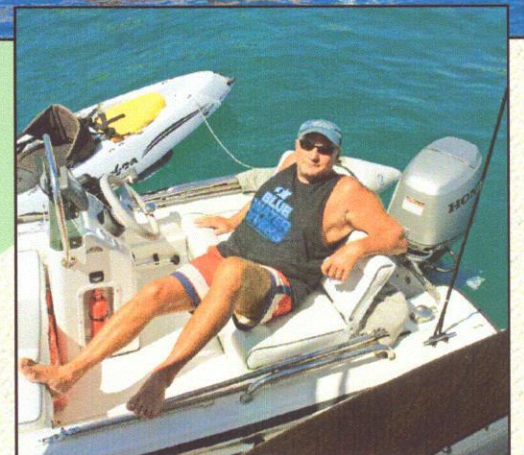
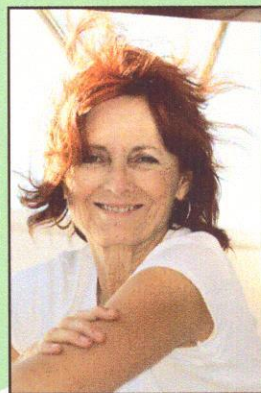
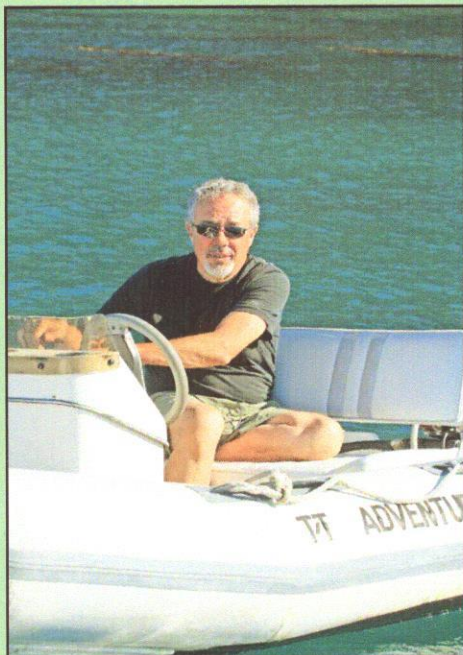
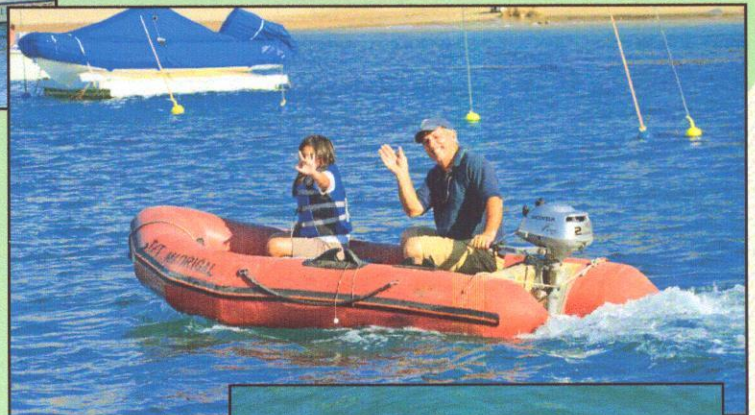
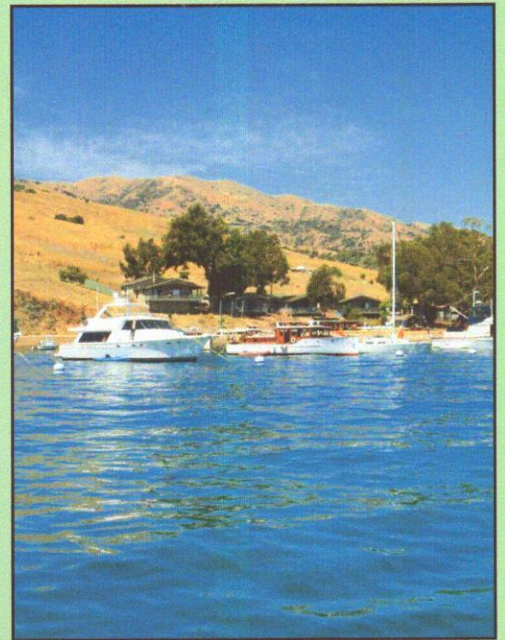
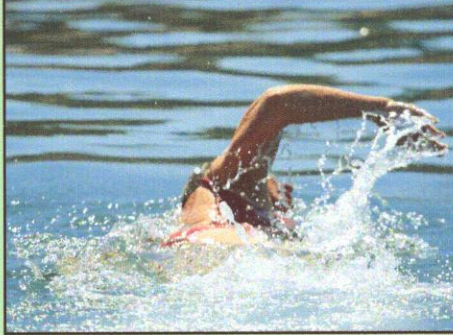
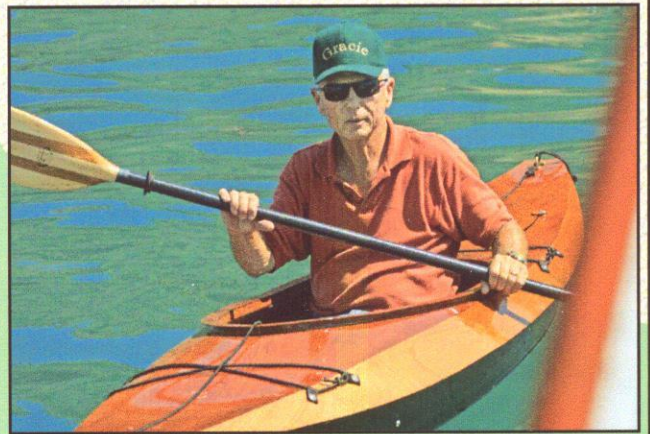
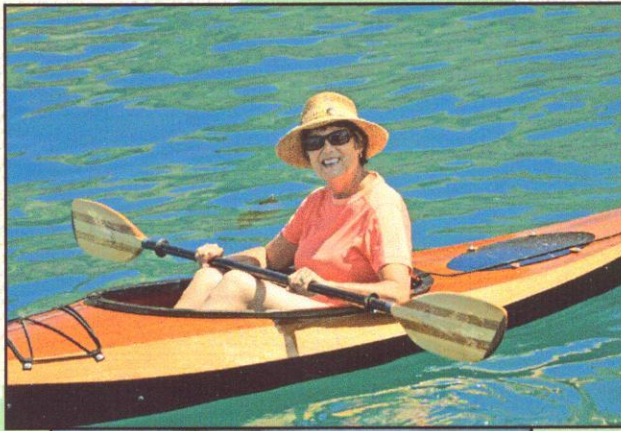
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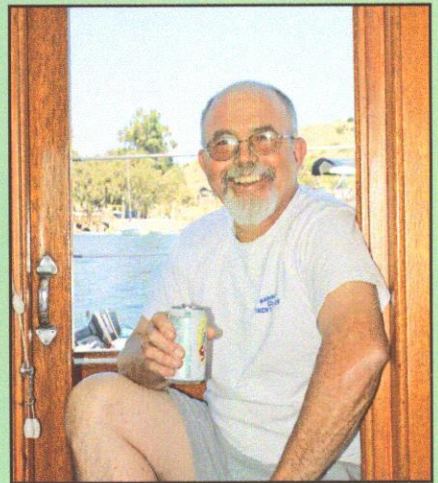
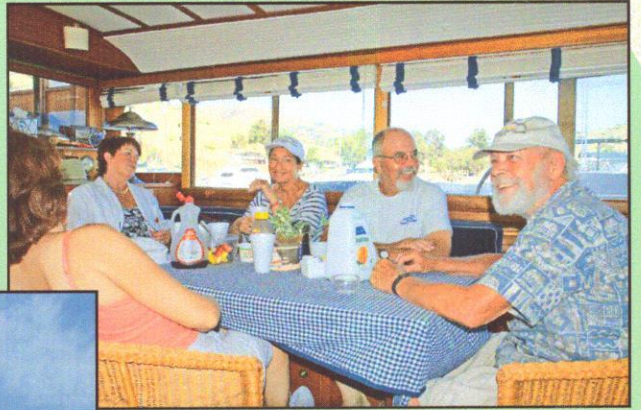
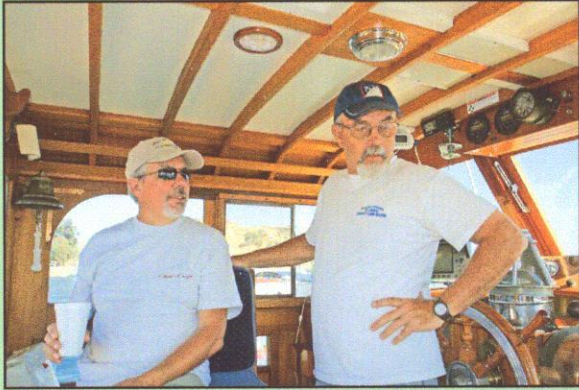
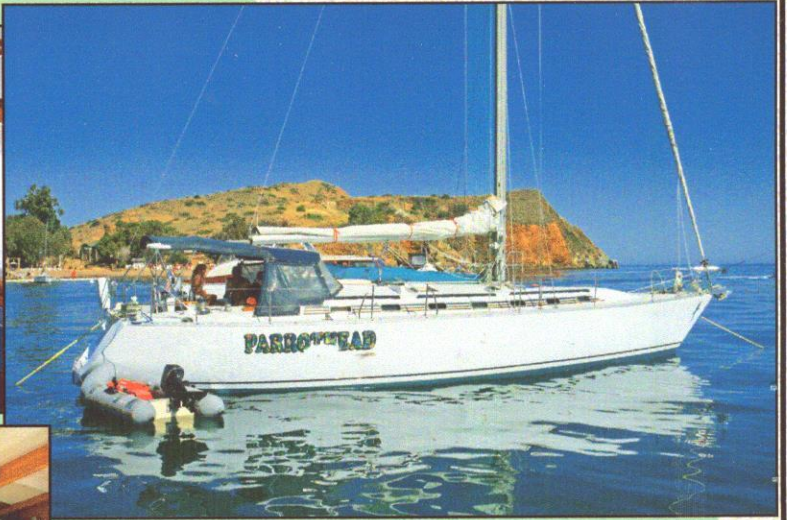
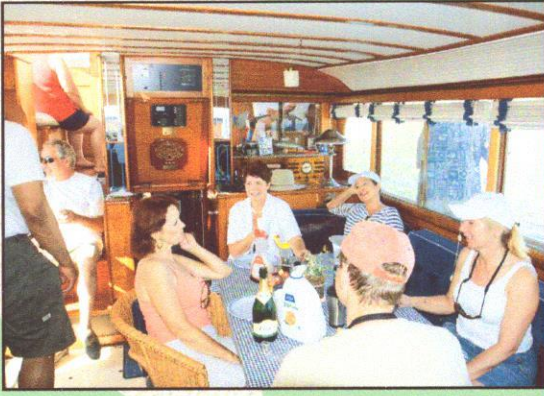
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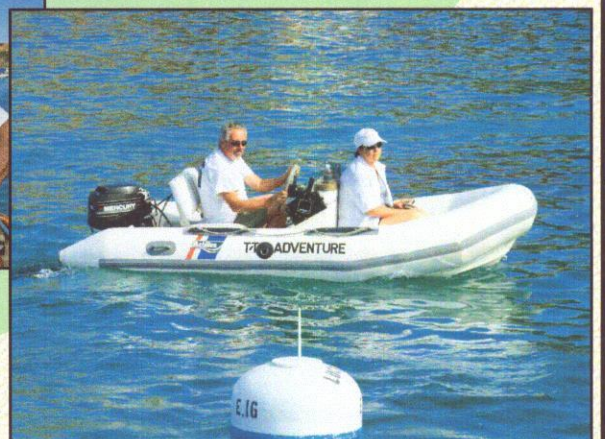
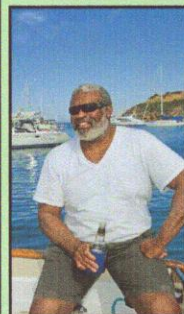
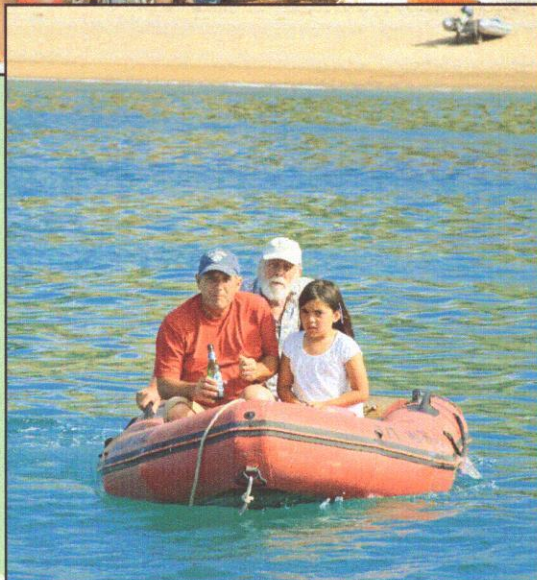
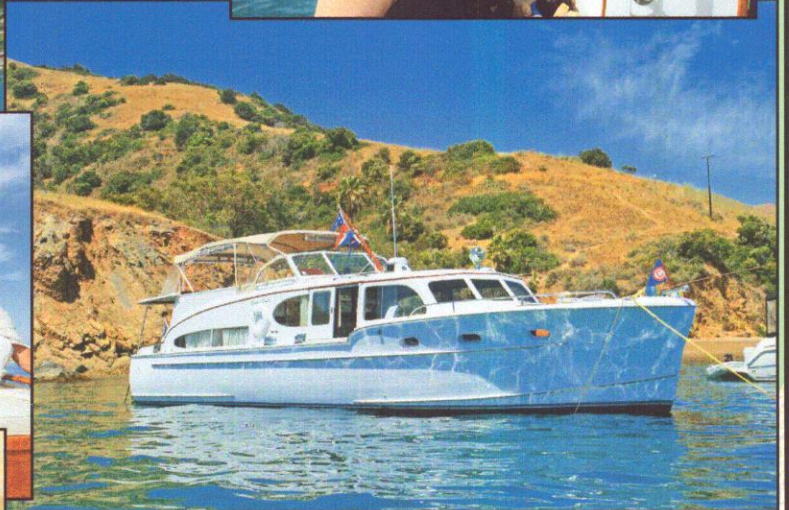
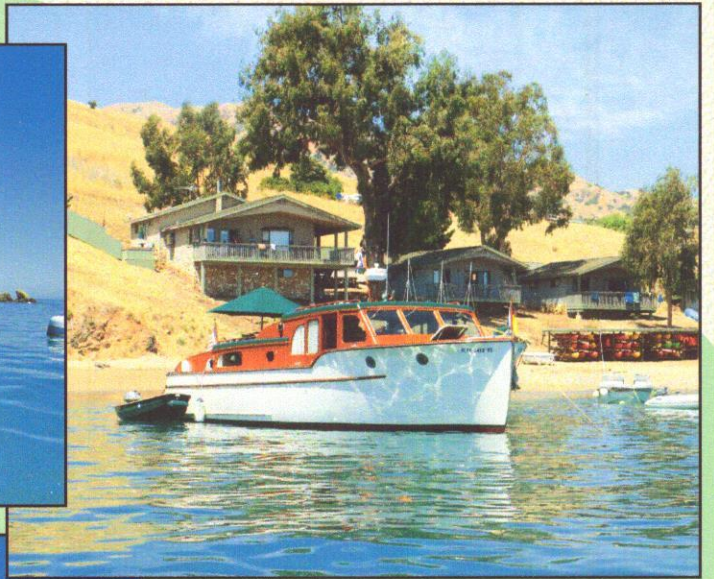
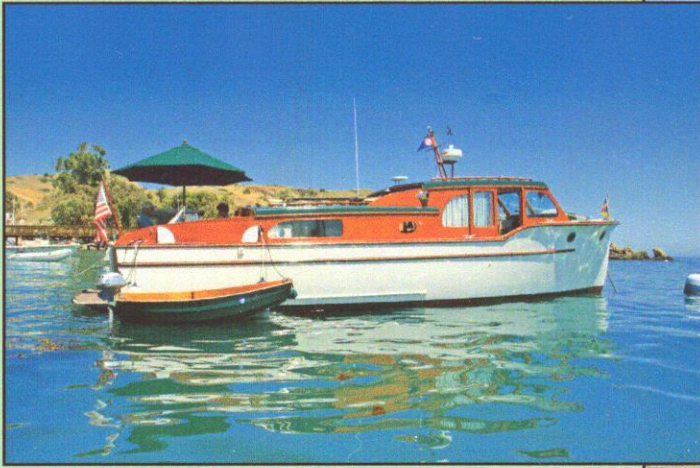




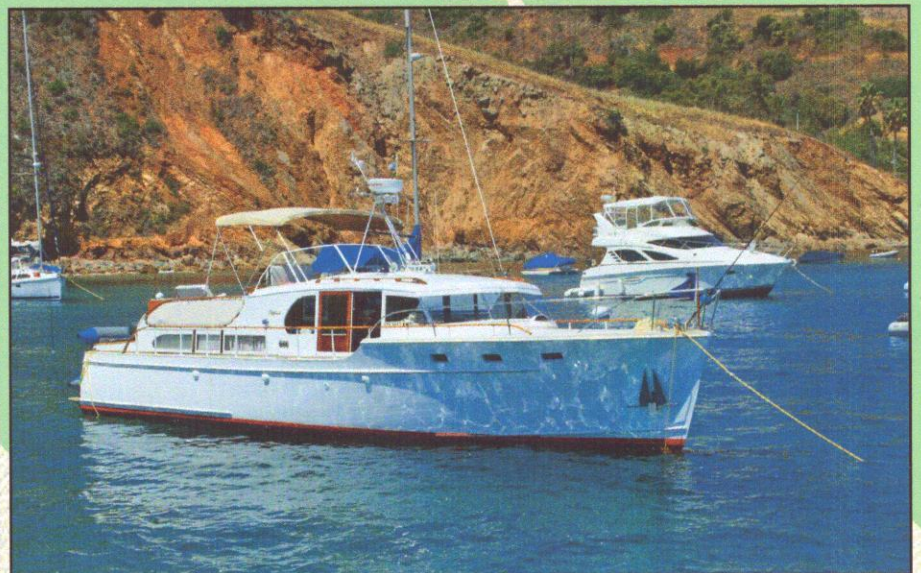
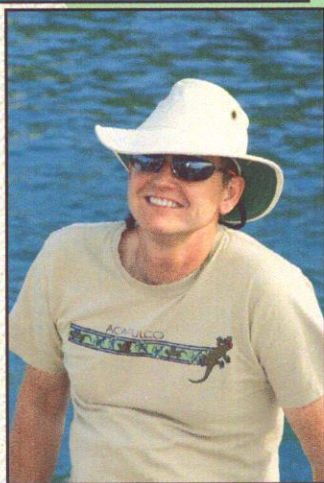
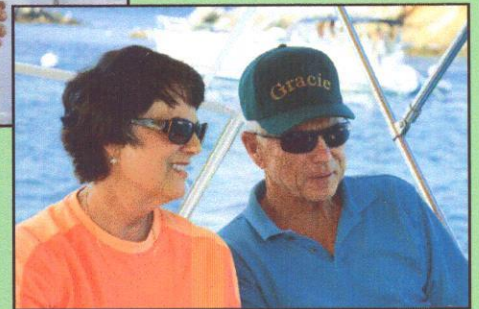
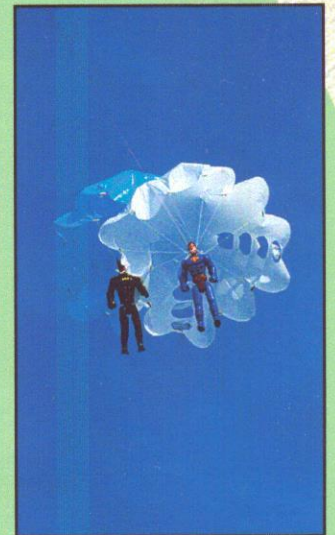
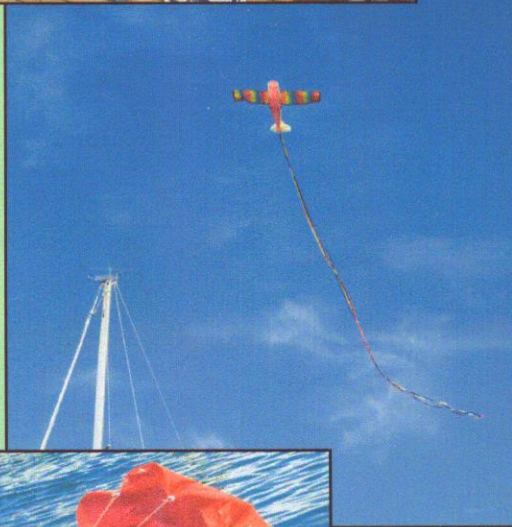
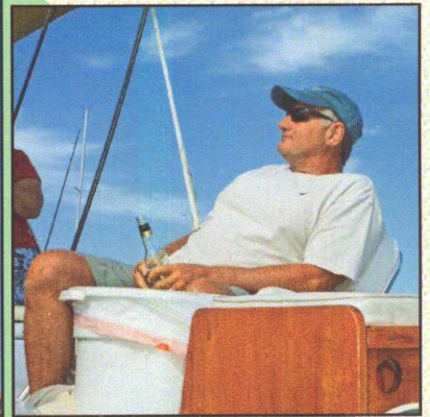
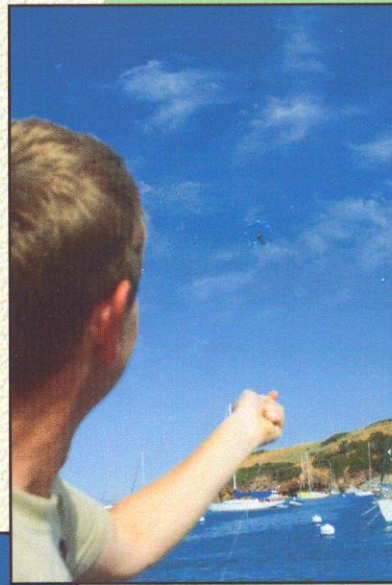
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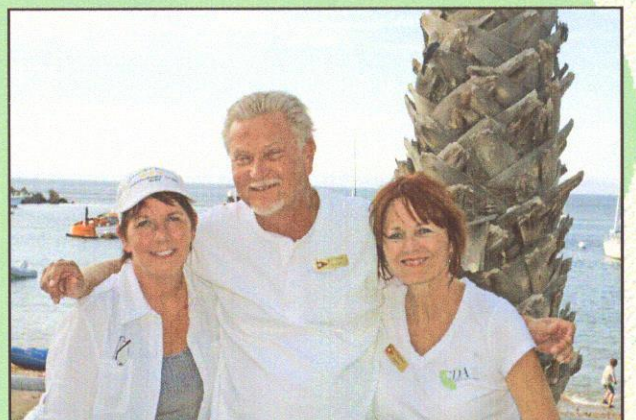
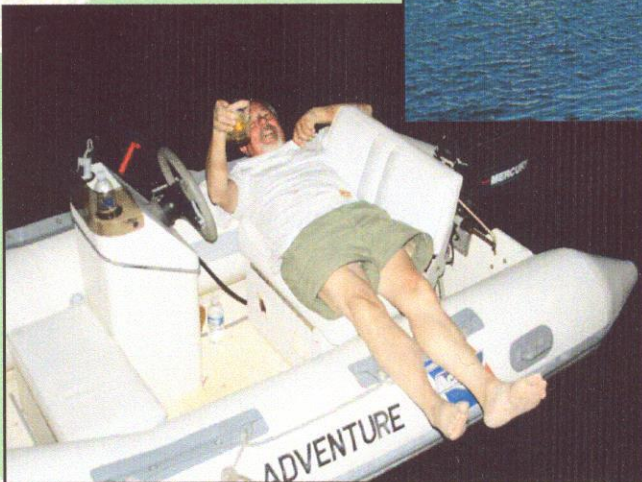
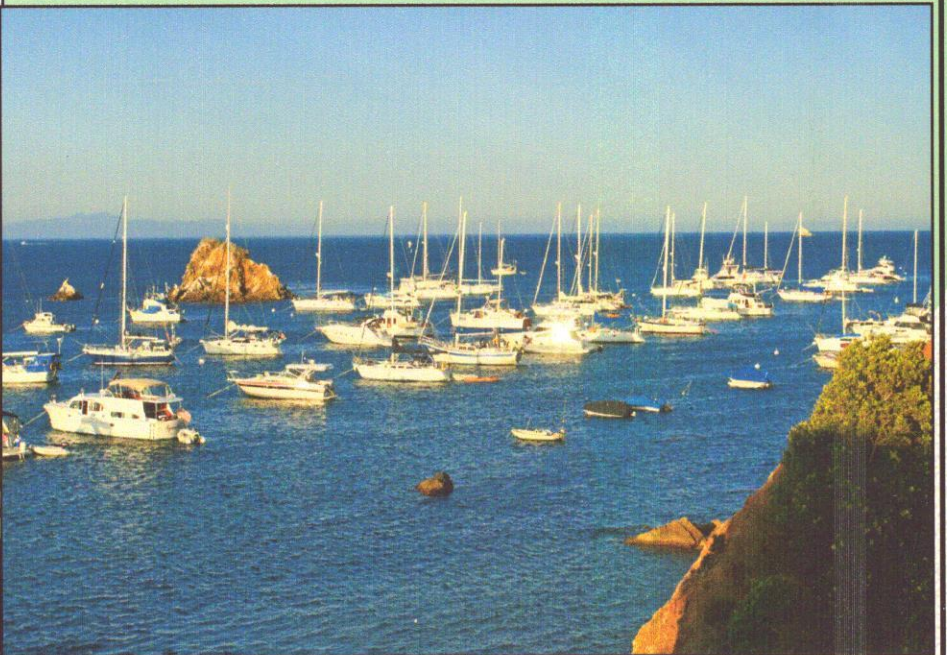
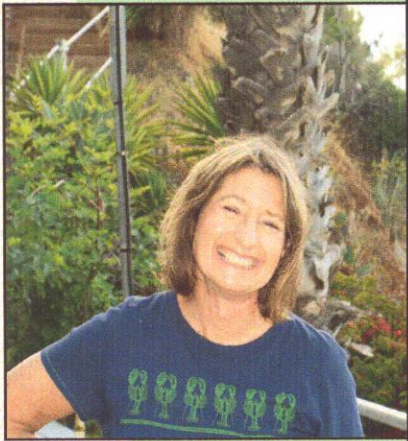
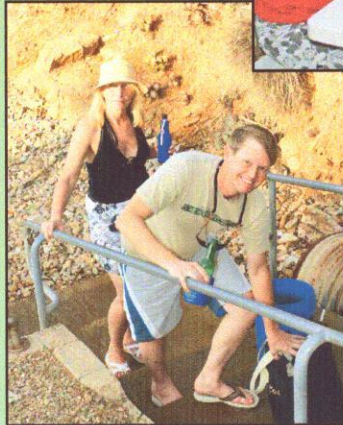
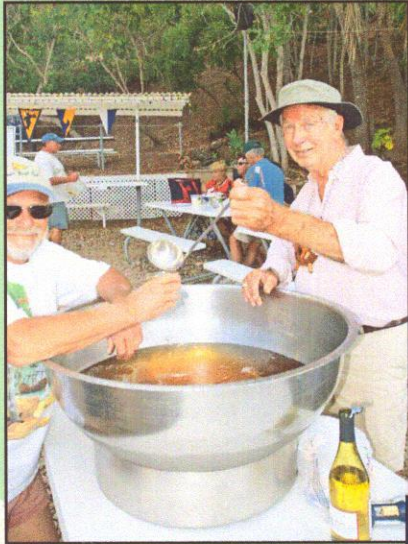
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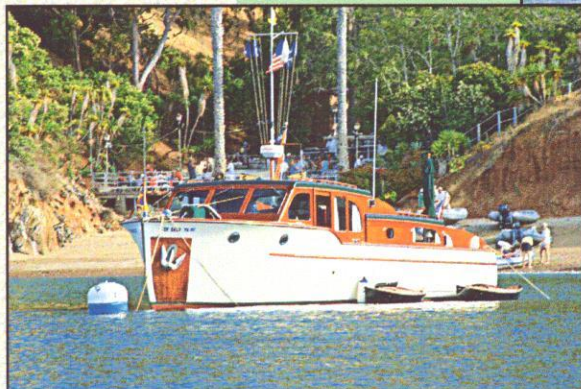
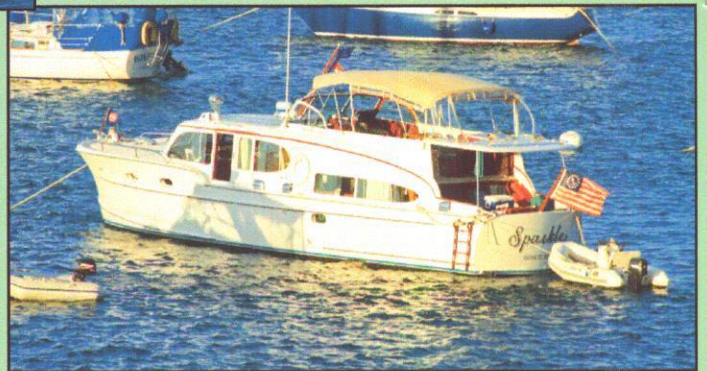
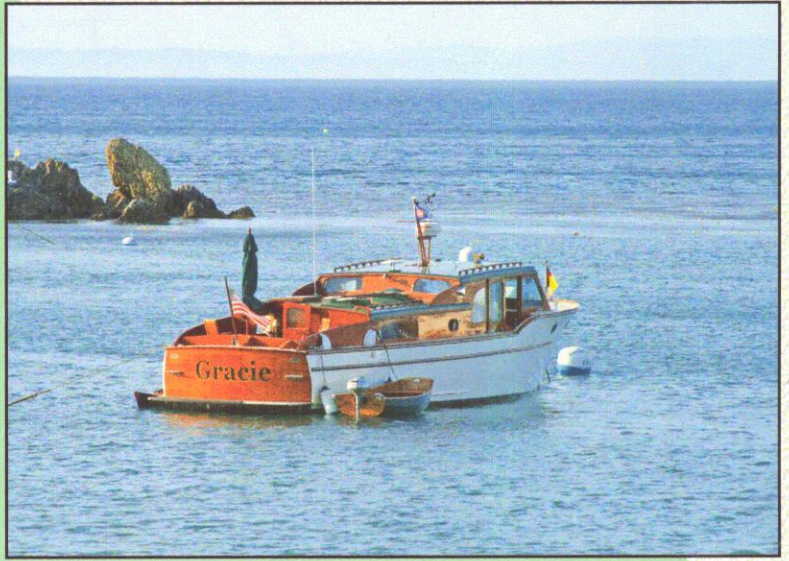
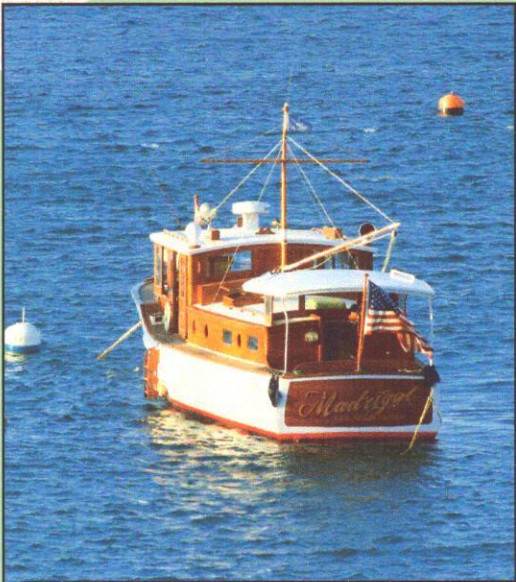
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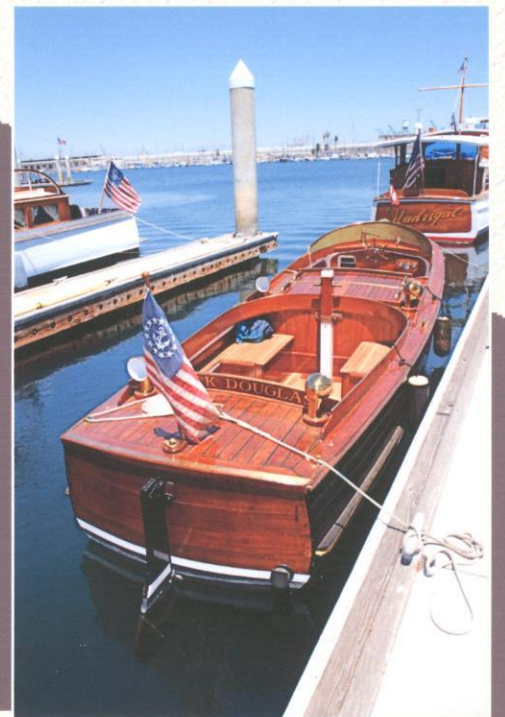
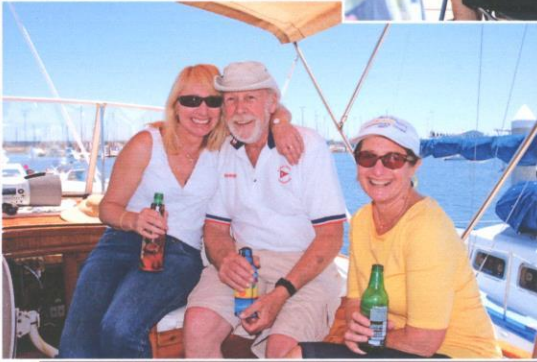
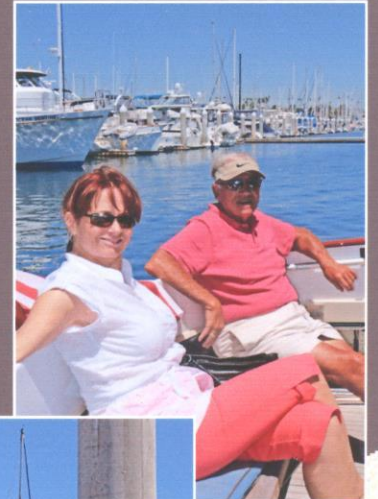
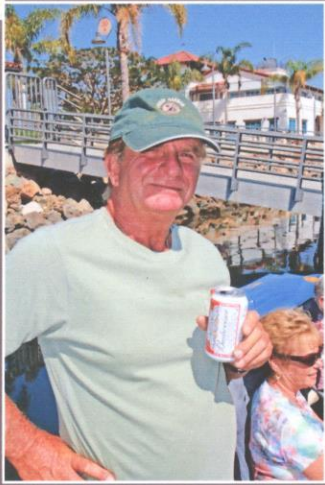


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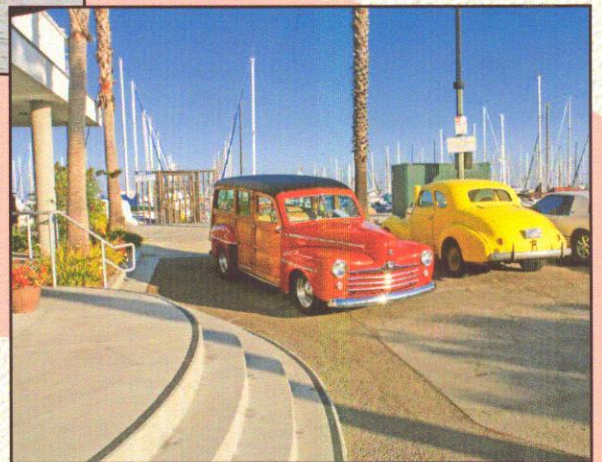
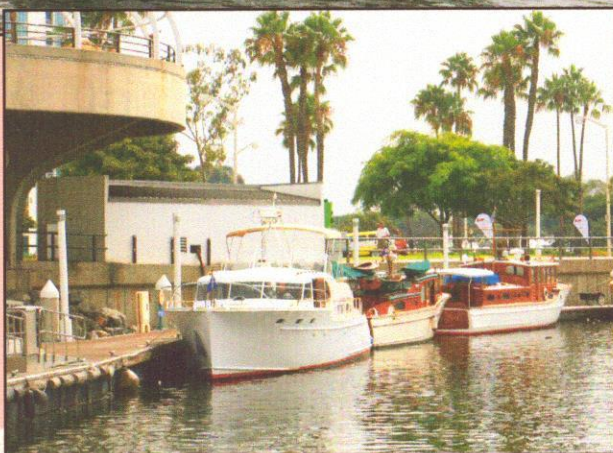
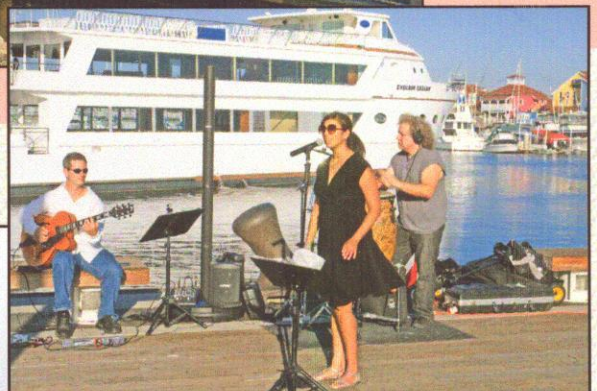
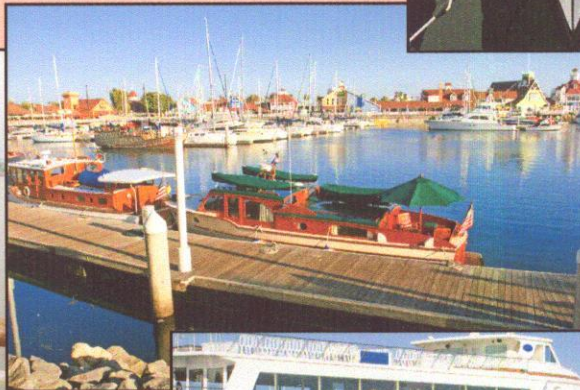
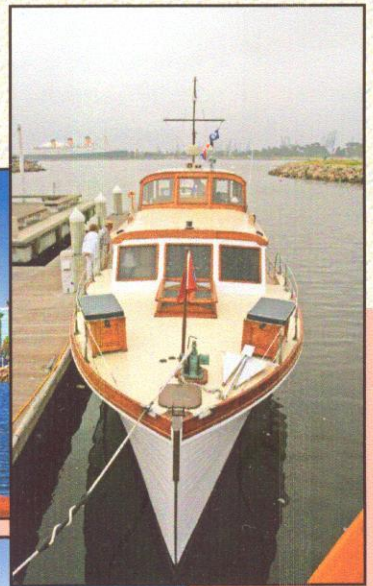
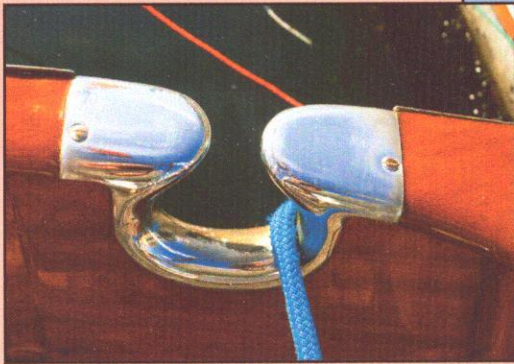
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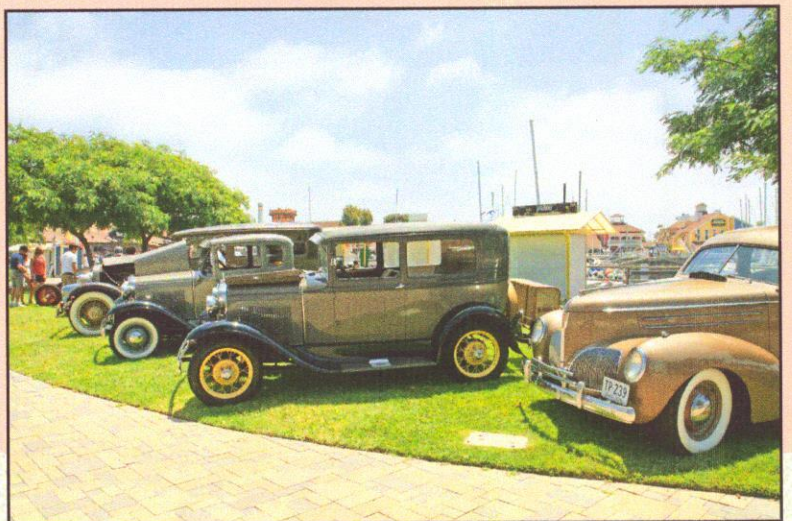
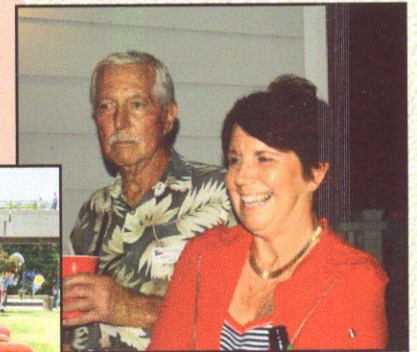
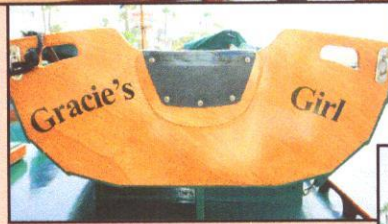
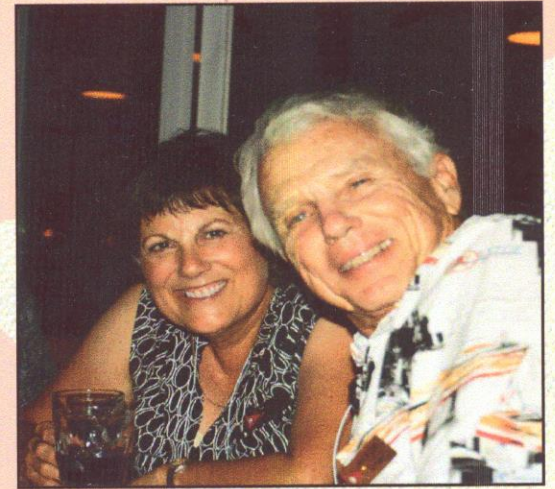
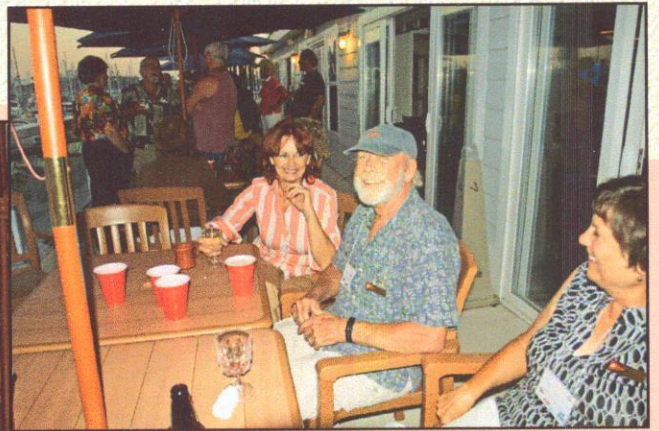
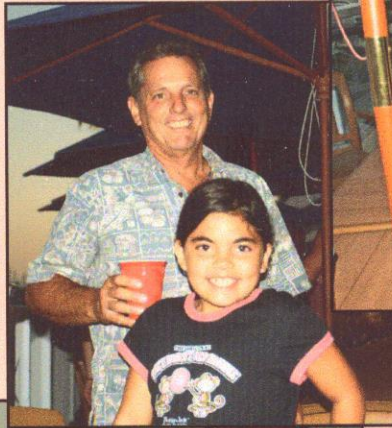


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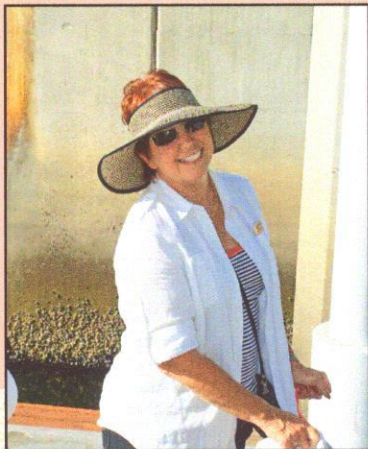
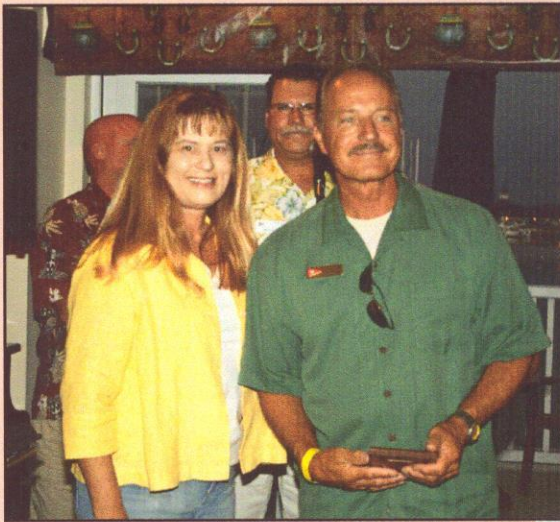
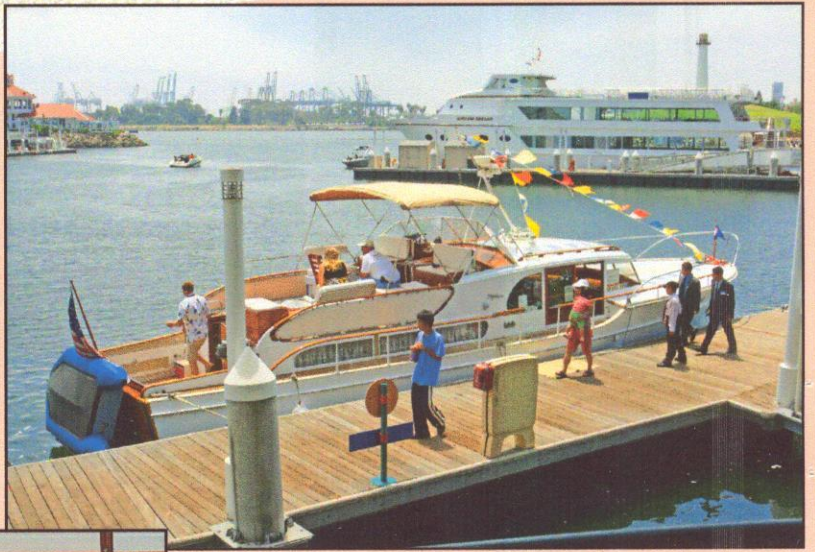
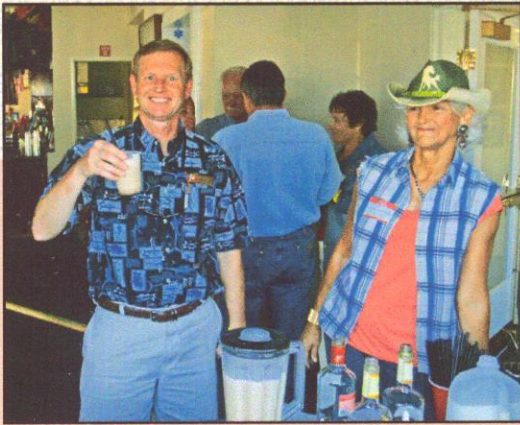
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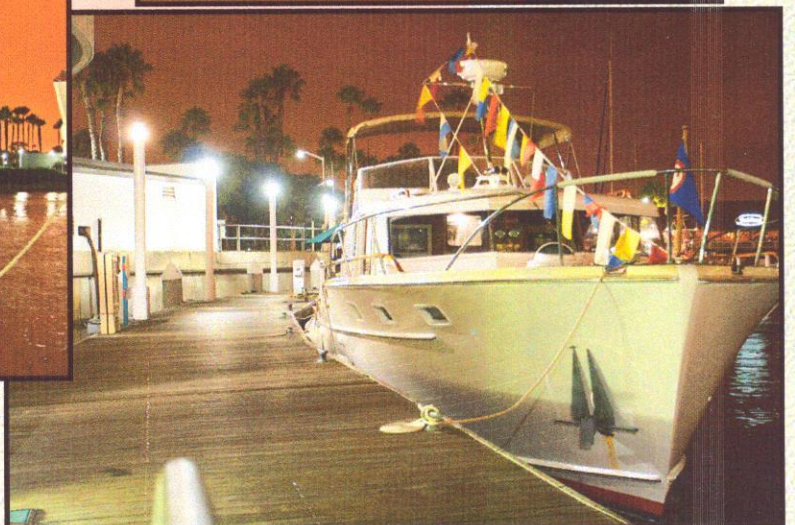
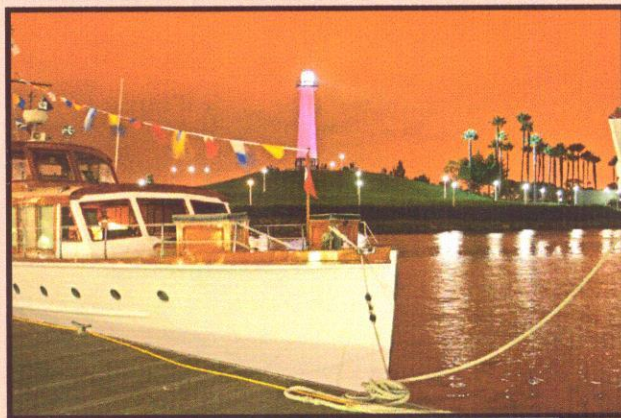
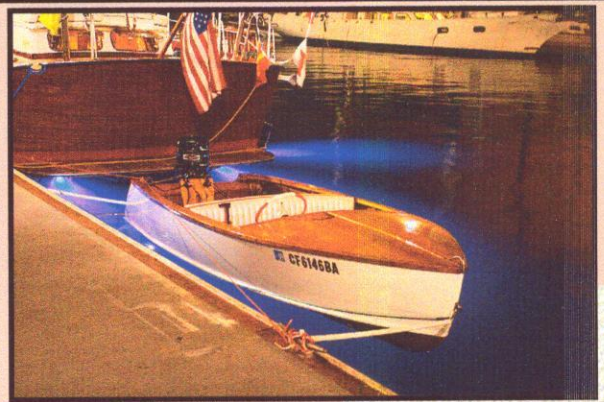
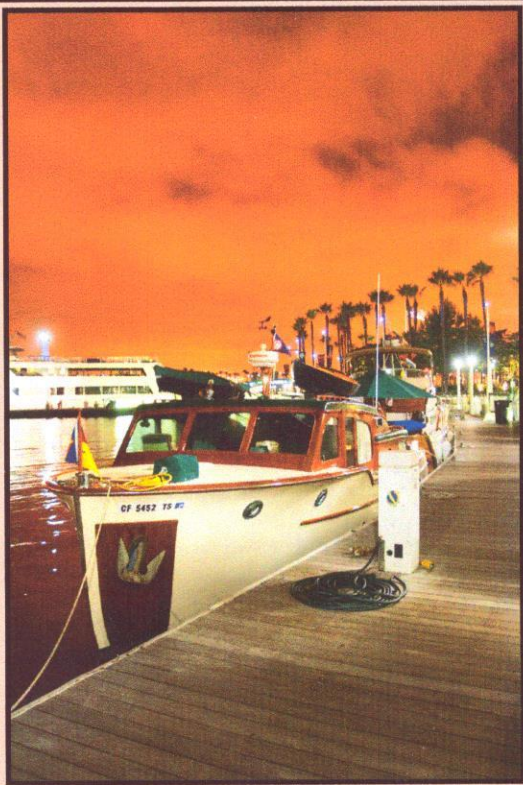
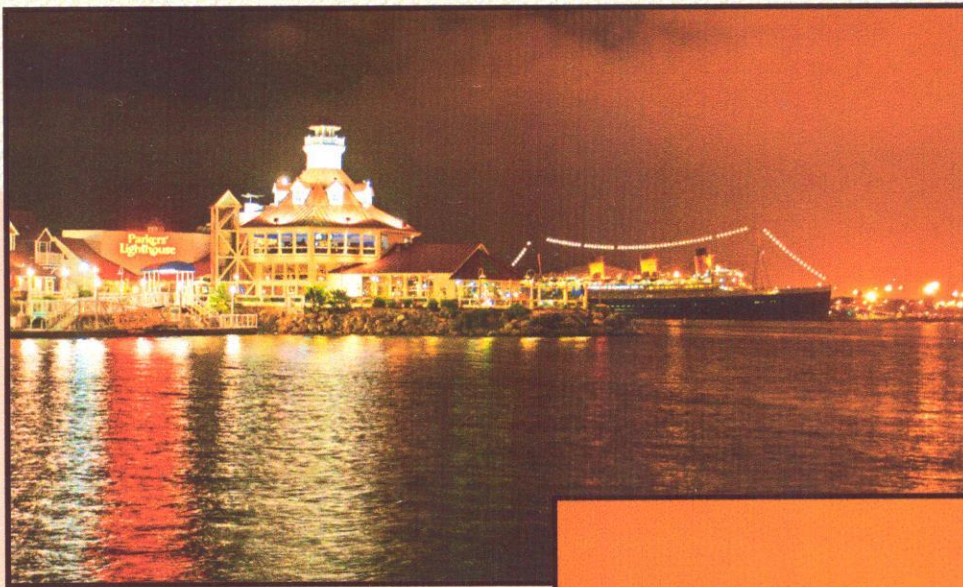




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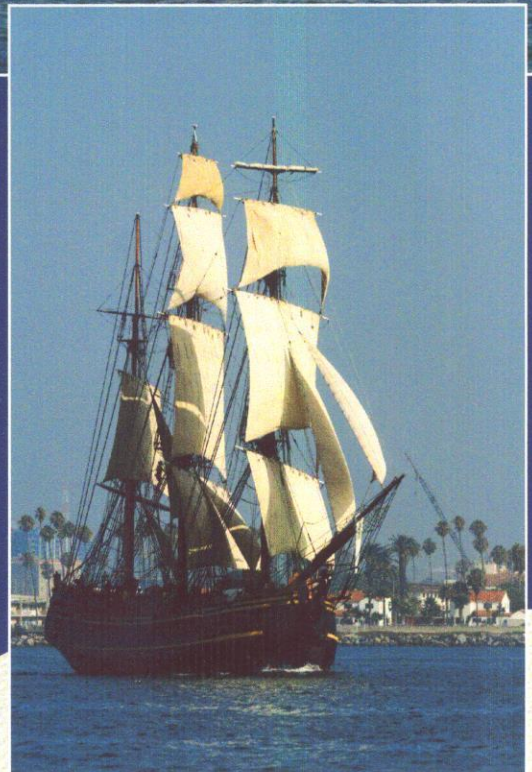
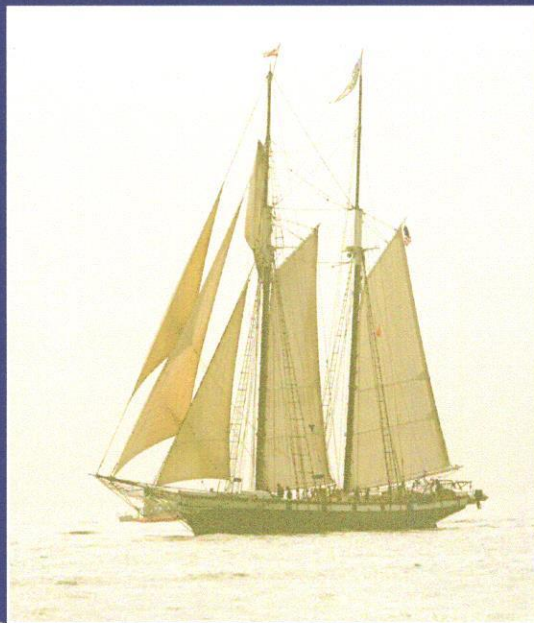
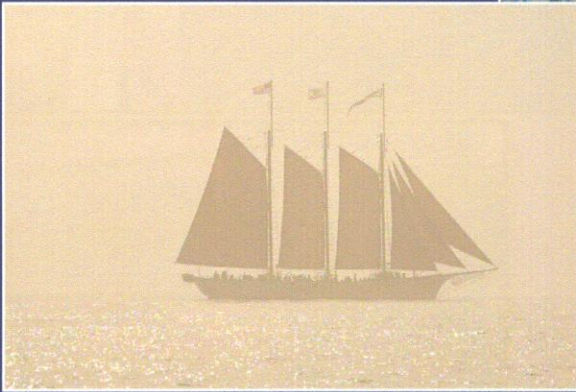
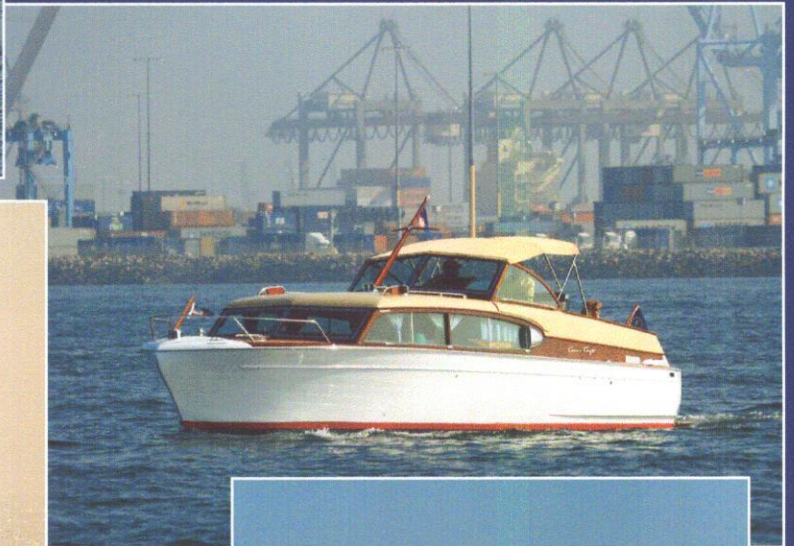
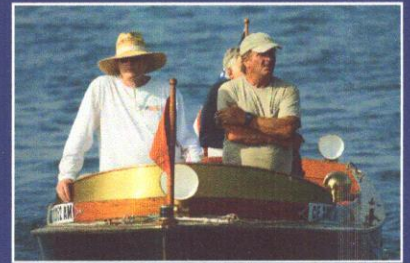
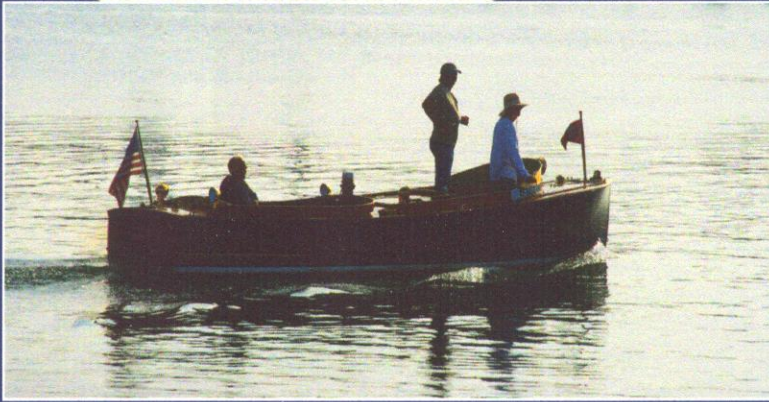


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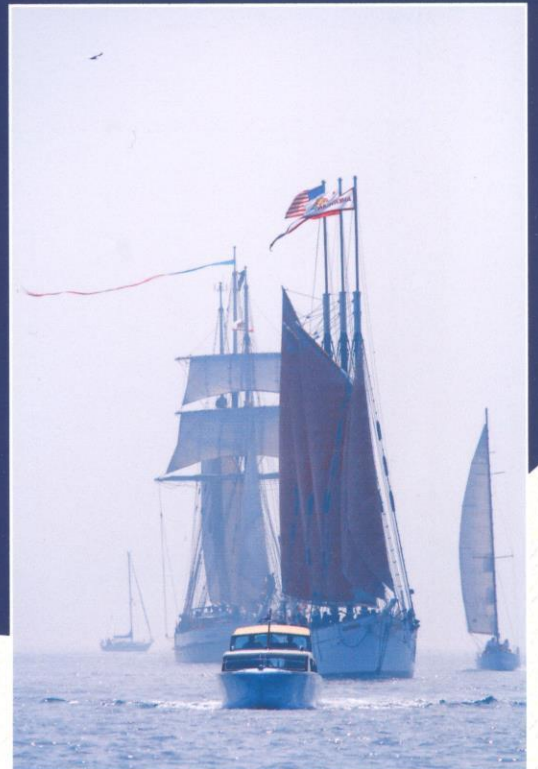


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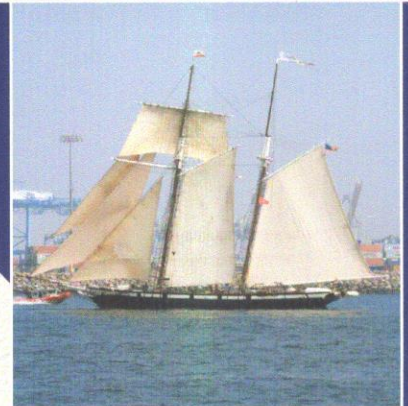
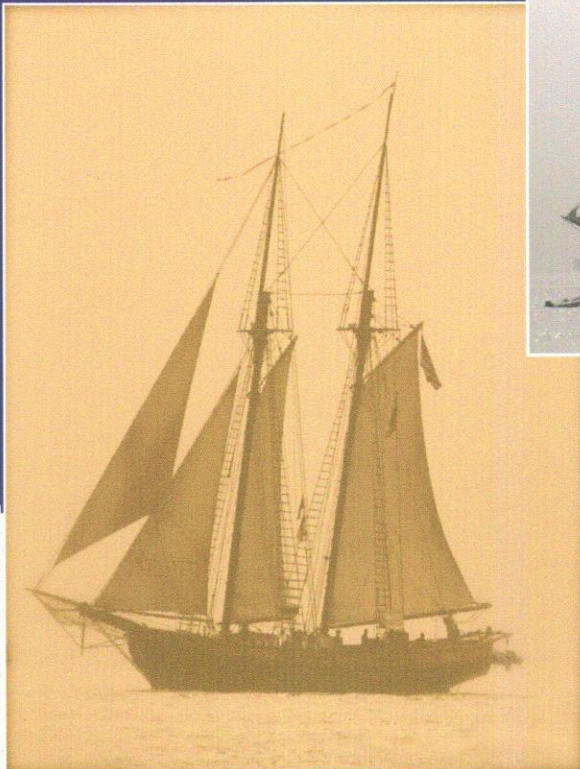
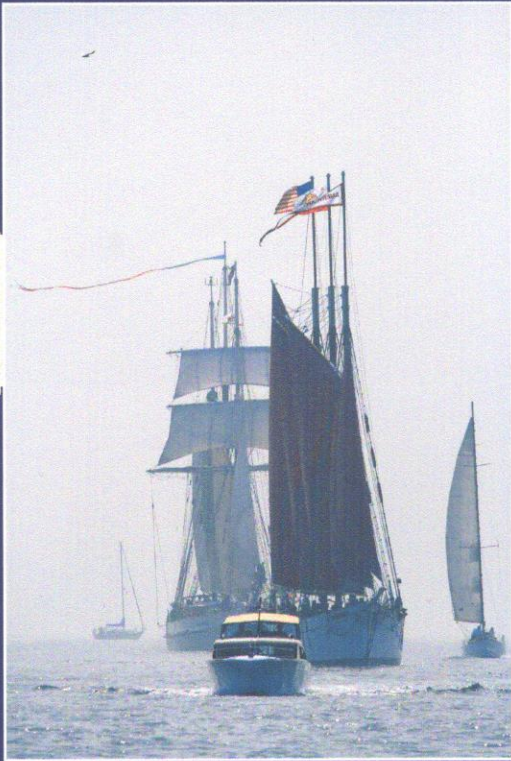
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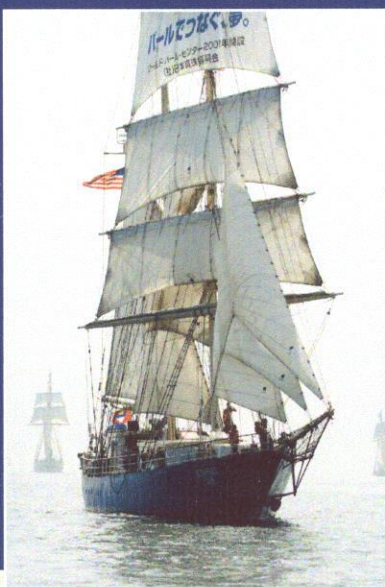
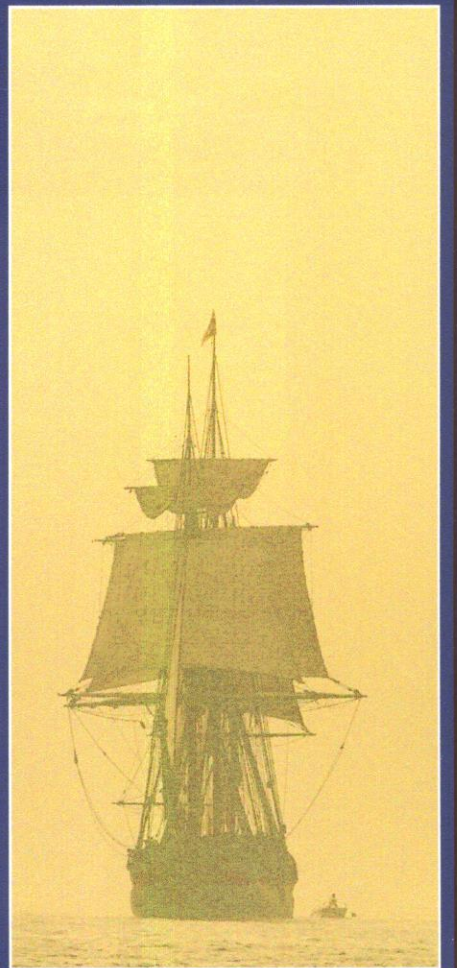
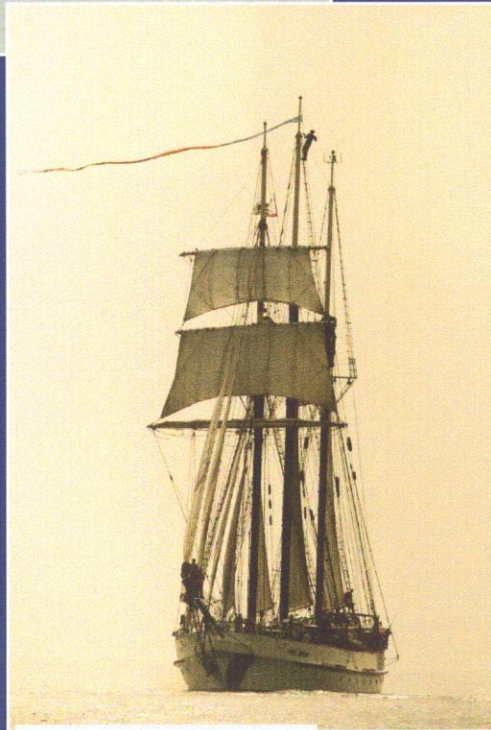
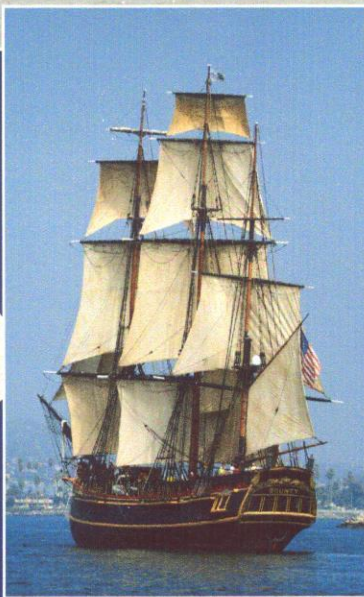
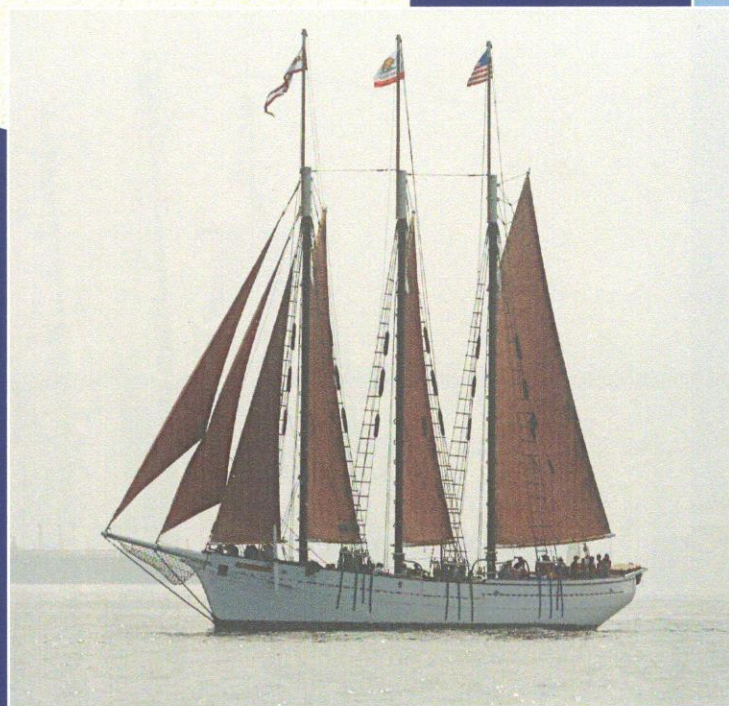




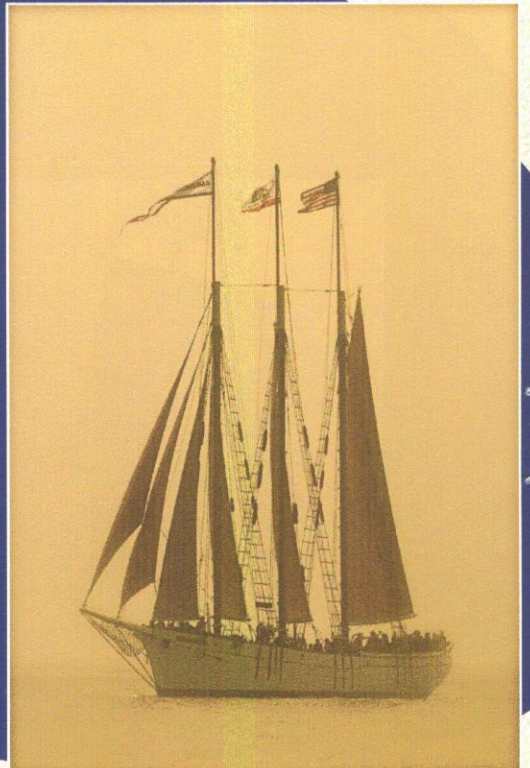
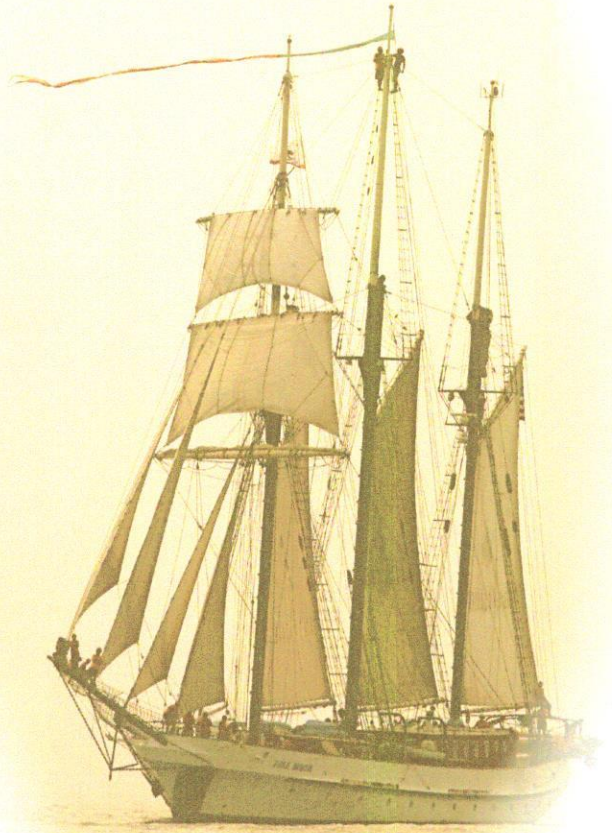
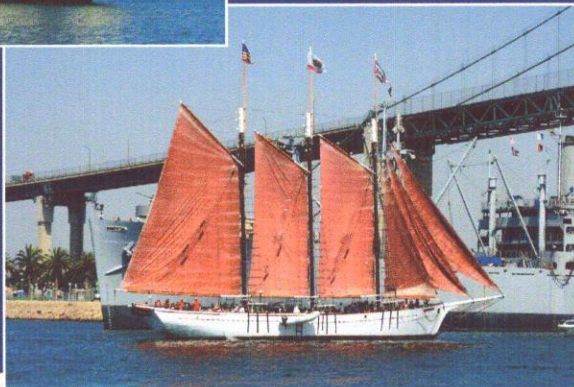
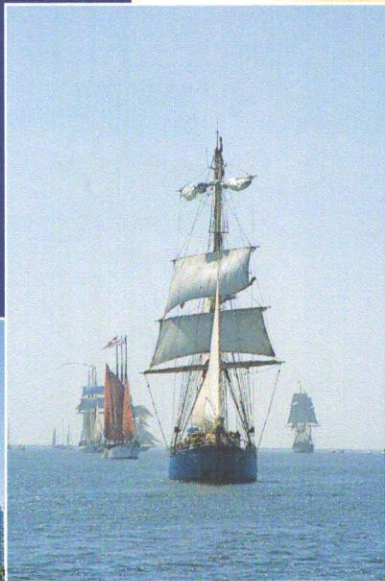
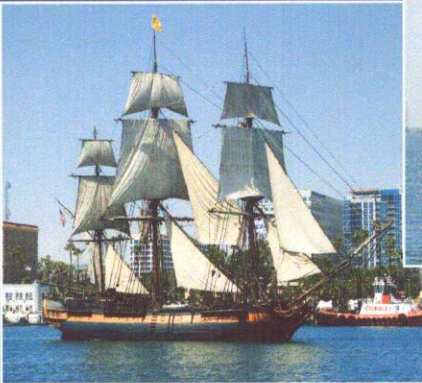
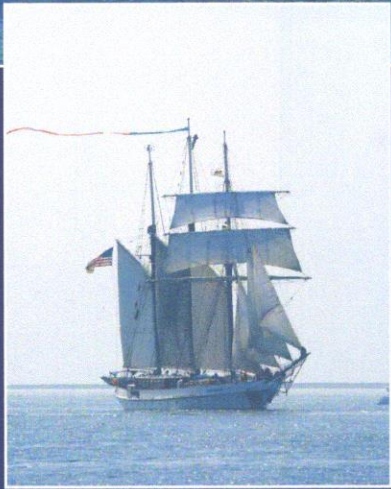
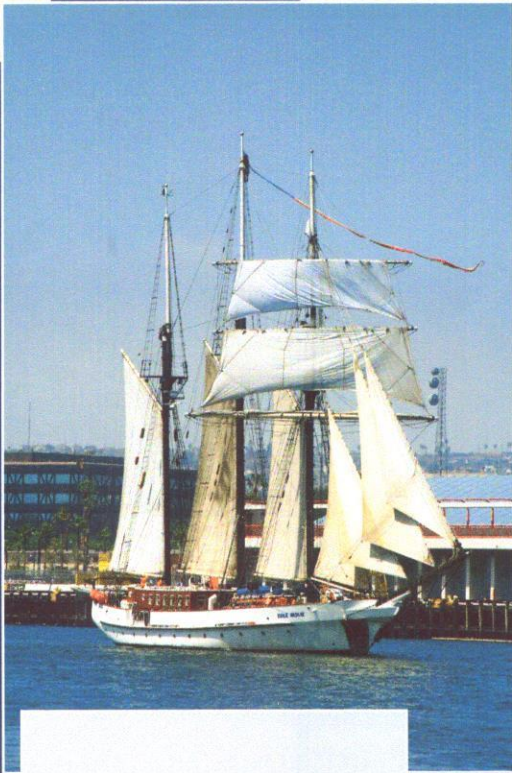
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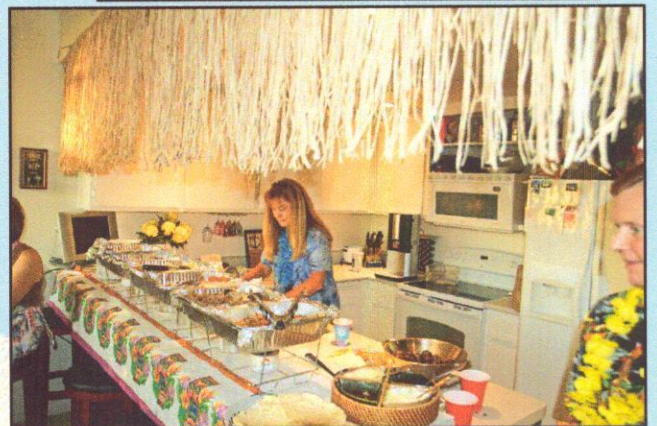
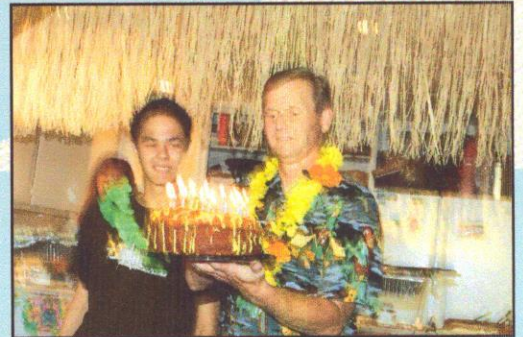
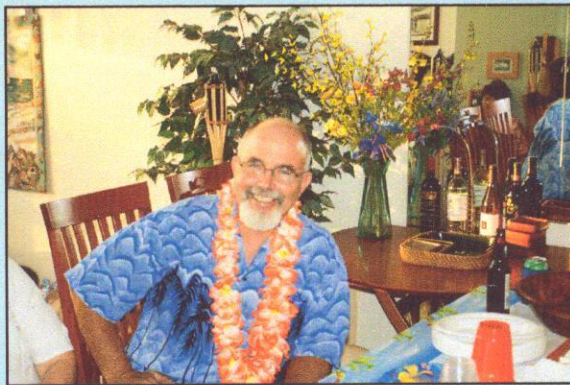
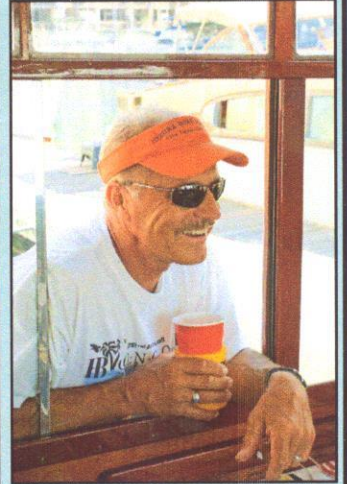
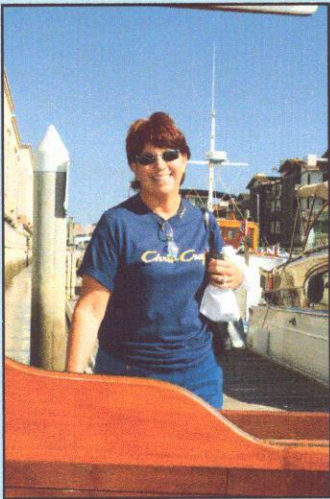
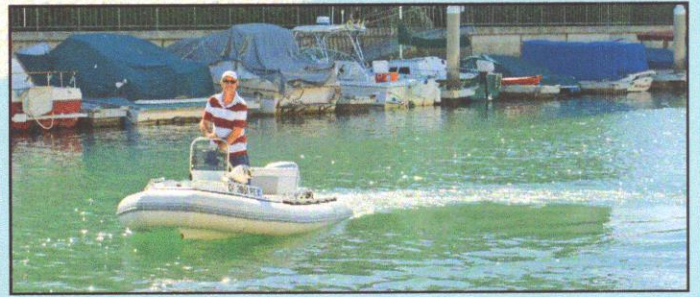
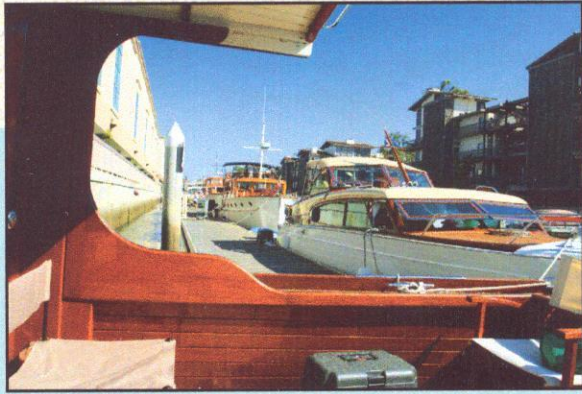


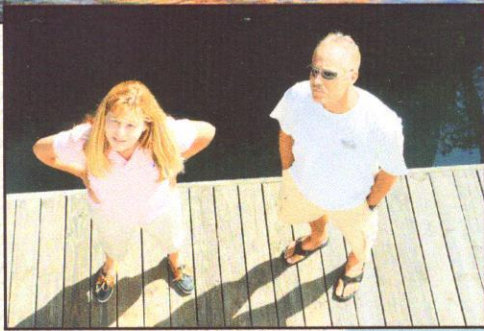
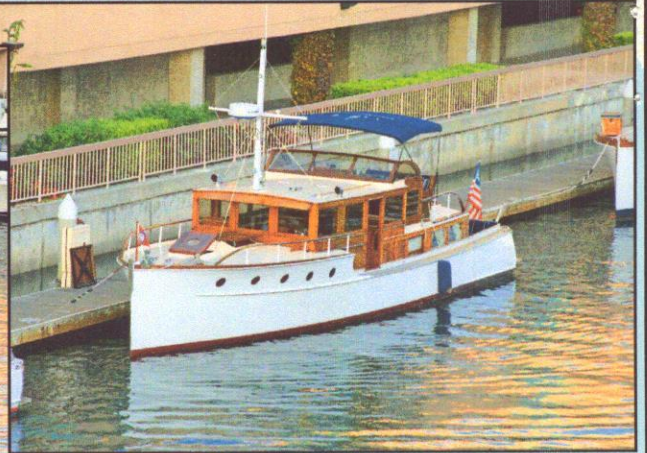
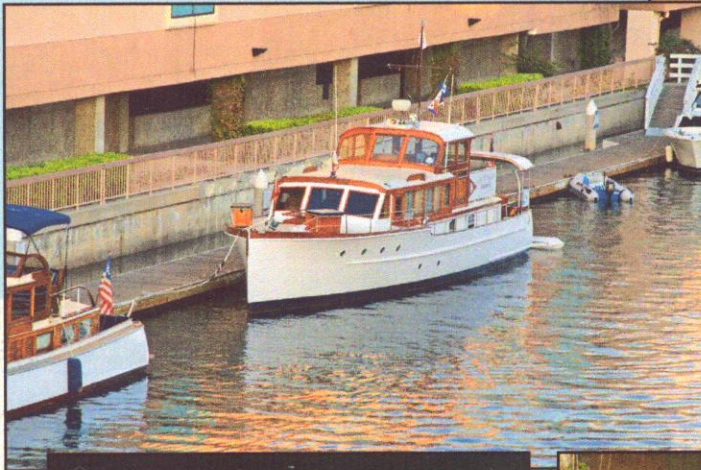
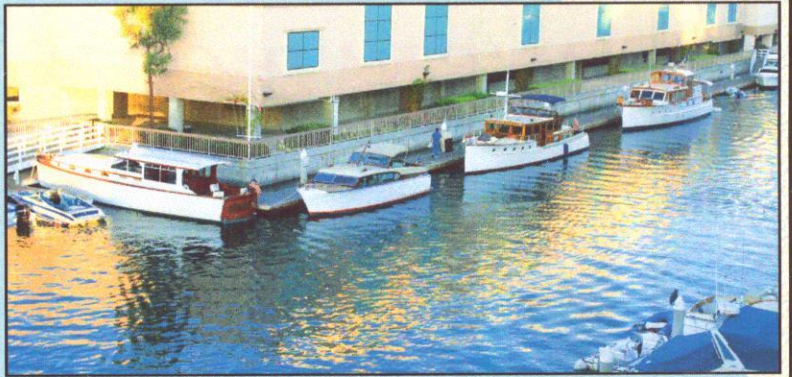
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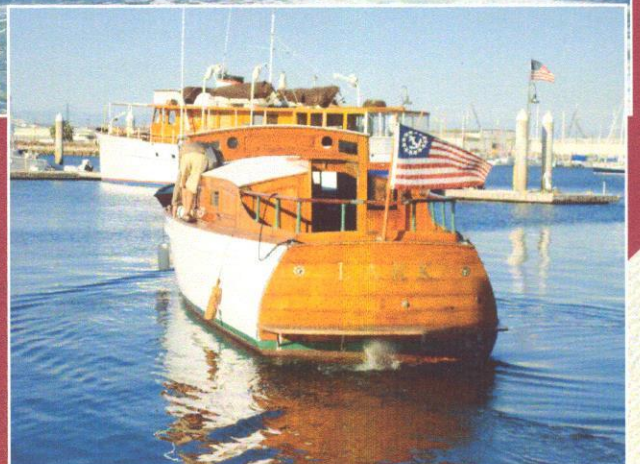
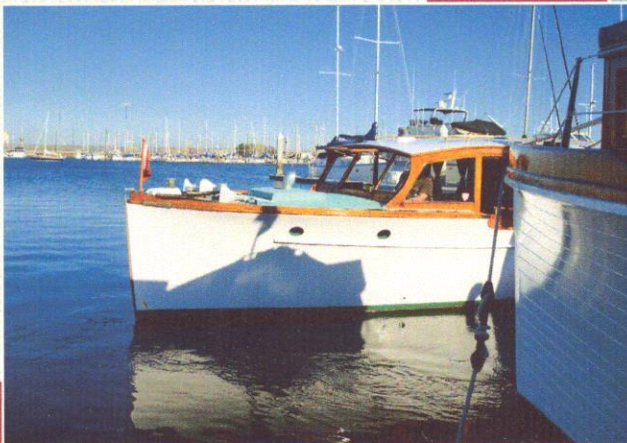
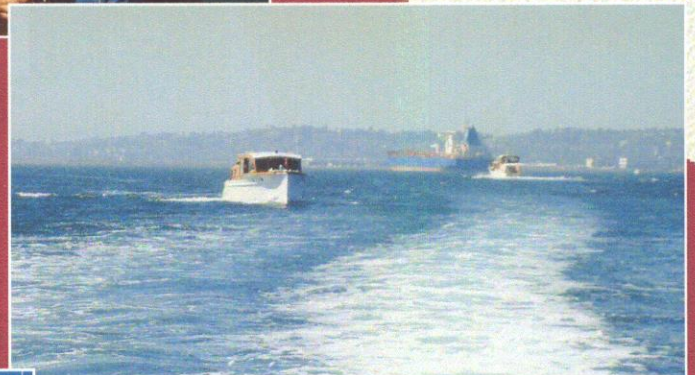
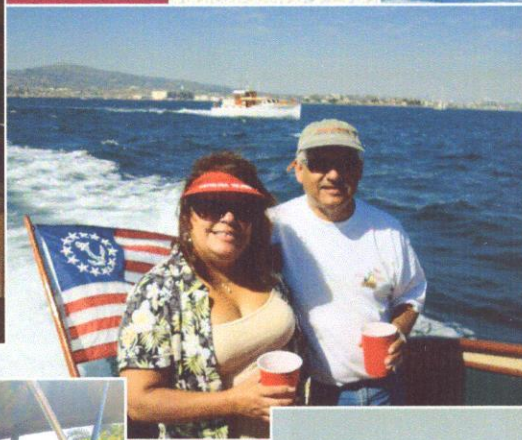
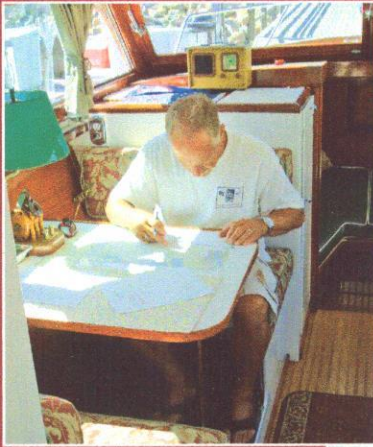
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