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*Comments from Commodore Carole*

I Believe.... That just because two people argue, that doesn't mean they don't love each other. And just because they don't argue, that doesn't mean they do love each other.

I Believe... That sometimes when I'm angry I have the right to be angry, but that doesn't give me the right to be cruel.

I Believe... That we don't have to change friends if we understand that friends change.

I Believe... That no matter how good a friend is, they're going to hurt you every once in a while and you must forgive them for that.

I Believe... That true friendship continues to grow, even over the longest distance. Same goes for true love.

I Believe... That you can do something in an instant that will give you heartache for life.

I Believe... That it's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be.

I Believe... That you should always leave loved ones with loving words. It may be the last time you see them.

I Believe... That you can keep going long after you think you can't.

I Believe... That we are responsible for what we do, no matter how we feel.

I Believe... That either you control your attitude or it controls you.

I Believe... That heroes are the people who do what has to be done when it needs to be done, regardless of the consequences.

I Believe... That money is a lousy way of keeping score.

I Believe.... That my best friend and I can do anything, or nothing, and have the best time.

I Believe... That sometimes the people you expect to kick you when you're down will be the ones to help you get back up.

I Believe... That maturity has more to do with what types of experiences you've had, and what you've learned from them...and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

I Believe... That it isn't always enough to be forgiven by others. Sometimes, you have to learn to forgive yourself.

I Believe... That no matter how bad your heart is broken the world doesn't stop for your grief.

I Believe... That our background and circumstances may have influenced who we are, but we are responsible for who we become.

I Believe...  
That you shouldn't be so eager to find out a secret. It could change your life forever.

I Believe... Two people can look at the exact same thing and see something totally different.

I Believe... That your life can be changed in a matter of hours by people who don't even know you.

I Believe... That even when you think you have no more to give, if a friend cries out to you, you will find the strength to help.

I Believe... That credentials on the wall do not make you a decent human being.

I Believe... That the people you care about most in life are taken from you too soon..

The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything.

God Bless You and Happy new Year !!!

# 2010 Upcoming Events

**January 30** Commodore's Ball – Burning Tree Country Club  
Theme: *"Phantom of the Opera"*



**June 19** Poker Run to Wheeler State Park – River Room  
Suggestion: Book your room at the Inn soon.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR



Congratulations to all the participants and winners of the 2009 Parade of Lights. I know participation was down a bit, but the boats that participated were fantastic. The Decatur Daily did a great job covering the event. Even **Baxter** got his picture in the paper. When you see Snook, please thank him for taking care of the details of the event. This is a big event and there are a lot of balls to juggle. Steve provided us with a great band, **Straight Forward**. Parade winners were:

Gary & Jewel Vest – Best Overall  
Houston & Diane Lovelace – Best Theme  
Philip & Angela Denny –Admiral Award  
Tom & Sherry Perry –Commodore Award  
LaGrant Austin - Ensign Award

Just a reminder about the change in our by laws.

Membership dues will be due and payable between January 1 and February 29. If dues are not paid by March 1, there will be a \$10 penalty assessed.

If dues are not paid by April 1, another \$10 penalty will be added.

If dues have not been paid before May 1, the club will assume that the member is letting their membership drop and they will be taken from the active roll.

## SPECIAL NEWS.....

Mike and Leanna Belew and their daughter Maggie have moved on to bigger and better opportunities and will not be with us at the Riverwalk Yacht Club. Therefore Leanna cannot fulfill her duties as Vice Commodore. We will certainly miss them and wish them the best in their new jobs!! Hopefully they will come back to visit!

Details soon on the new Vice Commodore

## *COMMODORE'S BALL*

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Commodore's Ball on January 30<sup>th</sup>.at the Burningtree Country Club. Invitations will be mailed soon. If you are bringing a guest, please pay prior to the ball. Guests are \$75 a couple or \$35 single.