

# LI News & Events

## Conrad Kreuter elected president of Empire State Marine Trades Association

The Empire State Marine Trades Association (ESMTA) has elected Conrad Kreuter, owner of Moriches Boat and Motor, East Moriches, N.Y., to a two-year term as president. He served as ESMTA's vice president for the past four years and as president of the Association of Marine Industries, the Long Island regional marine trades organization, for the past six years.

"ESMTA has accomplished a great deal of legislative, regulatory and industry successes for the benefit of our members and the boating public," Kreuter said. "Going forward I plan to focus the Association's efforts on a number of timely issues including the reduction of active marinas due to land development pressure. One of our major initiatives will be to keep the number of marinas from diminishing in order to maintain public access for the waterways."

Other ESMTA officers elected are - Vice President, Ginny DiForio, Charles Point Marina, W. Haverstraw, N.Y.; Vice President, Ron Knapik, Knapik Marine, Amsterdam, N.Y.; Vice President, Chris McVicker, The Flanders Group, Pittsford, N.Y.; Secretary, Chris Squeri, New York Marine Trades Association, Amityville, N.Y.; and Treasurer, David Aust, Morgan Recreational, Queensbury, N.Y.

For more information on the ESMTA, visit [www.boatnys.com](http://www.boatnys.com) or contact Association headquarters at (518) 694-3107.

## Farewell To Joseph Steven Amorese September 17, 1943 - January 5, 2007

"Joe" Amorese of Lindenhurst, NY "passed over the bar" on January 5, 2007 due to complications resulting from a liver transplant he received in March, 2000. Survivors include his wife of 13 years, Edith, two children: Lisa and Joseph Jr., four grandchildren, and his 97-year-old mother, Micheline.

Joe was well-known and well-respected among boating aficionados on Long Island. He was a Licensed USCG 100-ton Master and a very active member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. He was retired from his own general contracting business and spent his recent years traveling; cruising aboard his 32-foot Carver *Touch of Grey*; and doing Safety Patrols for the CG Auxiliary.

His Auxiliary service included election as Vice Commander and Commander of Flotilla 1-4 and service as Materials Officer. His qualifications included earning the coveted designation of AUXOP as well as Coxswain; Instructor; Vessel Examiner; Aids Verifier; and Marine Dealer Visitor.

Joe was born in Queens, NY and moved with his family to Lindenhurst in the early 1950's. He was a graduate of Lindenhurst High School and earned an engineering degree from Farmingdale College. All of his friends and colleagues wish him "Fair winds and following seas".



## USCG Boating Course

The USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 1-5 is offering a Boating Skills & Seamanship Course at the Bay Shore Middle School, 393 Brook Avenue, Bay Shore, NY. Classes will be held each Tuesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm starting on **February 6, 2007**. A FREE "Young Boaters" class (ages 10-17), given by NYS qualified instructor, will also be scheduled at the same time.

There will be several sessions covering the basics of safe boating for new & experienced boaters. Upon successful completion, many boaters will receive a certificate for an insurance discount. The course will include topics such as, equipment, seaway signs, navigation rules, boat handling, piloting, trailering, marine radio, nautical knots & lines.

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