

CLYC May 2024 Deckhands of the Month!

Jim Lange

This month's Deckhand of the Month is Jim Lange. Jim has lived in the lake for the past 10 years. He and his wife Mary moved to Canyon Lake from Huntington Beach after raising 3 boys in Orange County. Family activities were centered around the water, boating, fishing and trips to Catalina Island. After looking at several homes, Jim and Mary set foot into a home with a beautiful waterfront view that overlooks the East Bay. Right then, they knew they had found the place they would call home and have happily lived there ever since.

Members volunteer in many ways. Some volunteer in several ways. Jim has served as the Parade of Lights Boat Official for the last several years. He is the person who wrangles us all into shape. Jim manages all the boat entries, establishes the boat line up and communicates with the judges. This is no small feat on a tight timeline, with many boat owners, both experienced and newcomers He handles all the last-minute crises to ensure the parade is a success each year.

During the month of May, Jim has once again volunteered his time at not one, but two events. Jim volunteered to use his boat and his boating expertise to teach community residents how to drive a boat during our May clinic. Jim was one of six captains who volunteered their time to teach 19 residents of various ages how to safely drive a boat in Canyon Lake. The event was very successful, and all of the participants were very appreciative to get free instruction and advice on navigating the lake.

The later in the month, Jim again volunteered the use of his boat and served as a captain to provide the water taxi service that transported people from Holiday Harbor to the Lodge and back during the Fiesta Day events on Saturday. This was a new community service and was a huge success. We look to possibly expand this service next year.

Our club and community are very fortunate to have Jim and Mary as residents and CLYC members. We are grateful for everything they do. Jim and Mary were accompanied by Commodore Rob Mora, Purser Lynette Rodriguez, and Membership Chair Cindy Silk-Gonzalez at dinner at the Lodge Sunset Terrace to show our appreciation and ask our Sailor Six Questions.

Sailor Six Questions & Answers:

1. How long have you lived in Canyon Lake? **10 years**
2. How long have you been a member of the CL Yacht Club? **9 years**
3. If you were stranded on an island, where would you want to be? **Isthmus of Catalina Island**
4. What YC event do you look forward to the most? **Moonlight Cruises & Parade of Lights**
5. Favorite water activity? **Boating**
6. Does your boat have a name? If not, what would you call it? **Better Than I Deserve**