

also were of considerable assistance.

We should note that we never have seen a photo of the steamer as JAMES J. BUCKLER. If any of our readers can supply such a photograph, we would be most grateful.

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KNOW YOUR SHIPS 2003

Arriving too late for mention in the May issue came word from member Roger LeLievre that the 2003 edition of KNOW YOUR SHIPS is available. This 44th edition, 144 pages in its usual format, features many colour photos, with KINSMAN INDEPENDENT on the front cover and TEAKGLEN on the back. It is available for U.S. \$14.95 plus \$4.00 postage and handling, from Marine Publishing Co., P.O. Box 68, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan 49783. (906) 632-8417. Or you may order on-line at www.knowyourships.com. In Toronto, it is available from Lynx Images at 958 Shaw Street.

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CANADIAN TANKERS OF THE GREAT LAKES

Volume 4 of Skip Gillham's series of books on Canadian lake tankers is now available. This volume deals with some of the smaller tanker fleets, with a brief corporate history in each case and an individual history of each ship. The paperback volume has 82 pages and there are 106 photographs, including a great overhead colour photo of TEXACO BRAVE (i) on the front cover. To order, address Skip at P.O. Box 443, Vineland, Ontario L0R 2C0. The cost is \$21.00 to Canadian addresses or U.S. \$21.00 (because of our postage rates) to U.S. addresses, both prices including shipping.

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ROBERT KOCH REVISITED

Our April Ship of the Month was the diminutive cement carrier ROBERT KOCH. We have a lot more to say about the KOCH, and some interesting extra photos of her for you, but there wasn't room for them in the May issue which featured our huge history of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS. We had hoped to put the KOCH in this issue, but had no idea how long the BRULIN feature would be nor how much marine news we would have. May we ask you to be patient, and we will try to squeeze the KOCH into the October issue? We'll look for you then.

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ADDITIONAL MARINE NEWS

Our lead Marine News item this issue concerns the G.L.A.-chartered self-unloader JOSEPH H. FRANTZ. We can also report that the FRANTZ arrived at Goderich on August 22nd to load wheat, presumably for delivery to Buffalo. It is very, very rare for a Kinsman vessel to load grain at Goderich, although we believe that KINSMAN INDEPENDENT (iii) did it once and so did KINSMAN ENTERPRISE (ii).

Our second Marine News item on Page 2 concerns the new L.L.T. vessel MICHIPICOTEN (iii). For those who record such information, we should mention that unlike L.L.T.'s other Canadian-registered ships, namely CUYAHOGA, SAGINAW and MISSISSAGI, all of which are registered to Lower Lakes Towing Ltd., Port Dover, the registered owner of MICHIPICOTEN is Port Dover Steamship Company Inc., Port Dover.

An interesting sight on Lake Ontario this summer has been the McKeil tugs CARROL C. 1 and BONNIE B. III towing 1.5 km. sections of pipe from Belleville to Toronto for use in the Deep Water Cooling Project which will provide cold water for use in the air conditioning of downtown Toronto buildings. The pipe is being joined and installed by McNally Marine Inc.

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