

# Propeller Club of the United States

Port of New Orleans

*Proudly hosts their*

## 2009 Maritime Day Gala

*honoring*

### H. Merritt Lane, III

President and CEO  
Canal Barge Company

### "2009 Maritime Person of the Year"

*Recognizing him and his company's 75 years of service to the Marine Industry*

**When:**

Thursday, October 1, 2009  
Reception 6:30 p.m.  
Dinner 7:30 p.m.

**Where:**

Plimsohl Club  
#2 Canal St., 30th Flr  
New Orleans

\$90 per person  
\$720 per table of 8



**H. Merritt Lane, III**

President and  
Chief Executive Officer  
Canal Barge Company, Inc.

Merritt Lane is President and CEO of Canal Barge Company, Inc., a U.S.-flag, New Orleans-based marine transportation, management services, and bulk liquid storage company. He has served in this capacity since January 1994, and continues to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. He joined the company in 1986 and held several marketing and executive positions prior to his appointment as President.

Mr. Lane is actively involved in industry affairs, including serving as Immediate Past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Waterways Operators (AWO), as a Vice-Chairman of the Waterways Council Inc. (WCI), and as a Board Member of the National Waterways Foundation and the U.S. Coast Guard Foundation. He also serves on the Board of Directors of International Shipholding Corporation and Hibernia Homestead Bancorp, Inc., both publicly-traded companies, and Pontchartrain Materials Company, a privately-owned company based in New Orleans.

Mr. Lane worked in the Corporate Finance Division at PaineWebber, Inc. in New York City from 1983 to 1986 as a Financial Analyst and as an Associate in the Real Estate Finance Group. He graduated from the University of Virginia's McIntire School of Commerce in 1983 with a Bachelor of Science degree with a concentration in Finance. He continues to be an active alumnus of the school.

Mr. Lane is active in leadership positions with numerous civic organizations including as a Member of the Board of Governors of the Tulane University Health Sciences Center and Isidore Newman School, as a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Community Ministries, and as former Chairman of the Board of The Idea Village (a New Orleans-area non-profit entrepreneurial development organization). He serves on the Executive Committee of the Business Council of New Orleans & the River Region, and has served on the Flood Protection Alliance and as a Fleur De Lis Ambassador. He is also a member of the Young President's Organization and the World Trade Center of New Orleans.

Mr. Lane has received numerous honors, including the Seaman's Church Institute's River Bell Award for outstanding commitment to the inland maritime community and as a 2009 Role Model of the Year from the Young Leadership Council. He is an inductee into the Junior Achievement Business Hall of Fame and is a past recipient of the United Way's Leipziger Award for outstanding volunteerism.

Mr. Lane and his wife Eleanor (Elly) are both natives of New Orleans and have three daughters, Caroline (14), Sarah (11), and Isabel (9).

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