



**Jay Chester**--our speaker at the banquet.



Our Hospitality Room volunteers at the Radisson. Thanks ladies !

Jay Chester, my long-time friend and college roomie, for his presentation at the banquet on his diving experiences on the sunken Japanese fleet at Truk Lagoon in the far Pacific.

Chuck Frederick of the *Duluth News Tribune* for his outstanding feature story on the LCTs of WWII and our 2003 Reunion. Publication was timed to coincide with our arrival in Duluth on 5 June.

Emily Oz and the crew from Duluth TV station WDIO Ch. 10 who provided live coverage of our ride on the *Outer Island*. The story aired on June 7.

George Hackett for his continuing video interviews of the LCT veterans, his photos and general assistance throughout the reunion.

Jack Dunn for his video footage of the entire reunion. Jack will compile a presentation for viewing at next year's gathering.

Doug Swanson, my father, for his trips to Bayfield and helping me on some of the details in organizing this event in our home state.

Walt Slater and son-in-law Dave Crawford for their assistance with preparations onboard the *Outer Island*.

And last but certainly not least, to Bud Farmer, reunion host, for once again pulling off a successful gathering. There's a helluva lot of letters, phone calls and personal trips that go into planning one of these things. Bud certainly deserves our thanks.

And so do a lot of others not mentioned here for helping out in many ways. Great job everybody, and I hope to see all of you next year !

*Ron Swanson, ed.*



**Ken and Mary Dobson**, owners of the *Outer Island*.



**Keith Eid** (crewman) and **Larry Barningham** (skipper) of the *Outer Island* in Bayfield, Wisconsin.