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Ron Spicer - News letter

The 837th meeting of the Philadelphia Ship Model Society (PSMS) was held at the Independence Seaport Museum (ISM) on the 2nd of March 2017. President Jim Wheeler called the meeting to order 7:10 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Program;

CWO Todd Wardwell talked about AKER- a Norwegian Corporation now operating at the former US Navy's Philadelphia Shipyard, and the Jones Act - responsible for Kings Point college". He explained the modern ship building process including Ceramic Welding. The ship-yard is now used for commercial ship building and is non-military although their is still a top secret propeller foundry located on the Philadelphia property. Ships that are built there are CV 2600-650 feet in length and carries 2600 containers, MT-50 Class product tanker, a new ship class using LNG for propulsion. Video of ship construction can be seen on the Philadelphia



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A photo of the Battleships Tennessee BB-43 and California BB-44 in drydock #5 at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. The photo was taken between May and October 1946 prior to scrapping. The photo comes from the US Naval Institute. All of the ships in this photograph were destined for scrapping except for the dark two stack ship in the upper left. That's the USS Olympia.

THIS & THAT

SICK BAY

Mike Zimmerman
On the mend

THE SHACK

Keep the lights on! Volunteer!Sign up on the web sightor contact Joe Jordan (jiytown@aol.com)

NOTE: The Steamship Historical Society of America meets the third Sunday of each month at ISM from 2 to 4:30 PM. Visit their web sight at http://www.sshsa-delawarevalley.org



PSMS SHIRTS & CAPS WITH EMBROIDERED SOCIETY LOGO

For the first time women's sizes are available

Contact Pat Leaf at pilebl@comcast.net

Long-sleeved polo shirts in men's sizes- Small thru 4XL Add \$2.00 for 2XL, \$3.00 for 3XL and \$4.00 for 4XL	\$35,00
Women's sizes through 2X	\$35.00
Short sleeved polo shirts, navy blue	\$35.00
Men's sizes small thru X6Land tall in XL thru 3X	\$28.75
Women's sizes small thru 3XL	\$28.75
Hats 6 panel wave cap, Navy with white trim	\$14.50
FOR ORDERS	

Please be sure of your size

MARCH MINUETS

Secretary minutes for 1/17 & 2/17: submitted and accepted Financial report - submitted and accepted Website report:

Stacia Werner was original Webmaster and when she moved the club chose to have Adam Narvain take over the website and become the Webmaster. Adam then move to Massachusetts and it appears that PSMS forgot about him and never asked him to update website. Adam continued to run the website and pay for its upkeep and renewal. The renewal was about \$150.00 per year. It was Jim Wheelers opinion that we PSMS should renumerate him for the website. Next we discussed the new website and showed the members that it was fixed and functional. Next Todd Wardwell spoke to the members and stated that our original while working, was old technology and would need to updated if it was kept. He further stated that our new website was now functionable and updateable and updates could now be easily made once our membership decided on the change. While we there Jim Wheeler logged in and updated the events page for the shack. It was stated by the following (Jim Wheeler, Todd Wardwell, and Spencer Anderson) that the new site was the way to proceed given the fact we paid for the new website and it's fully functional. It was reported the new site is coming up for Domain renewal and hosting fees which will be about \$300.00 for three years. Next Jim Wheeler proposed that we pay Adam up to \$450 for the maintenance of the website(last three years) and gain control of the website. It seconded by Mike Weaver and then discussed by membership. A vote was then taken and unanimously approved.

Next Jim Wheeler asked to membership to agree to go with the new website and move forward. It was seconded by Mike Weaver and then it was discussed by the membership. A vote was then taken and unanimously approved.

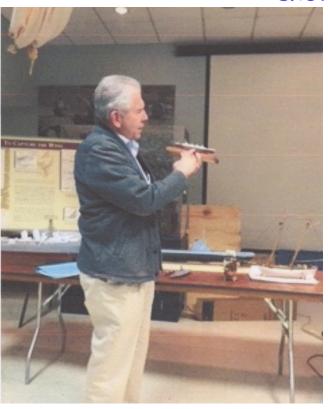
Going forward once the old website control is gained we will forward any request to the new site. Eventually our old website will be shut down.

50/50 drawing. Mike Weaver winner!

No new business

Meeting was adjourned at 9:58pm

SHOW AND TELL



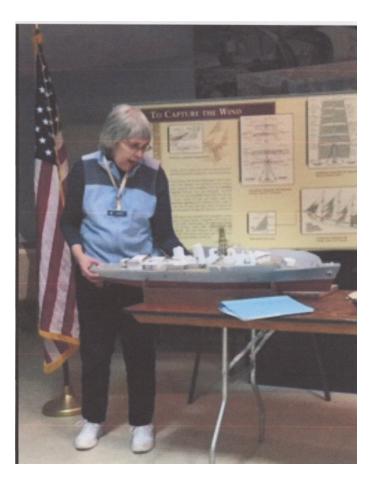
 $\label{eq:mike_models} \begin{tabular}{ll} MIKE WEAVER - 4 small scale models. \\ Ironclad / Tanker / Titanic / Jolly Rodger \end{tabular}$



DONNIE FRENZEL - Black diamond three masted frigate model

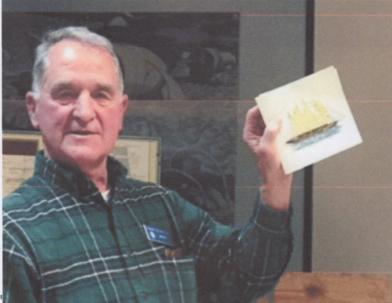


JOE GUDONIS - Un-named ship. Fiberglass sanding 400 wet sand paper. Fiberglass cloth from Home Depot



FRANCINE SERRATE - HMS Tartar motorized model ship. (Gas turbine engine / jet engines)





JOE JORDAN- "Lively". Beautifully built model revenue cutter / plank on bulkhead.

JIM NUTT - card with quilting



RON SPICER - 1/96 scale model of USS Becuna, a Guppy Class post WWII submarine. Scratch built, plank on bulkhead.



......and a good time was had by all! See you next month.

Hope to see you at the NE Ship Model Conference and Show April 29th, See page 6

SHIP MODEL CONFERENCE AND SHOW

Saturday, APRIL 29, 2017 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

PORT 'N' STARBOARD CONVENTION CENTER, OCEAN BEACH PARK, NEW LONDON, CT

find driving directions at: www.ocean-beach-park.com



- Examine over 100 museum quality models. Vote for the best
- Learn about FDR, ship model builder from our speaker
- Schmooze with craftsmen, artists, and friends, old and new
- Browse vendor booths with maritime and modeling books, kits, and tools
- Watch demonstrations of building techniques and tips
- Enjoy delicious breakfast and lunch buffets

Registration:

\$35.00 before March 15 \(\sqrt{540.00 before April 22} \)
\$45.00 after or at the door

For questions, information, and registration forms, email
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