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PHILADELPHIA SHIP MODEL SOCIETY

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can see his work in the Show & Tell section of this newsletter

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The 841st meeting of the Philadelphia Ship Model Society was held at the Independence Seaport Museum on July 6th 2017. President Jim Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Over two dozen members were in attendance on a night of mist and rain. Jim wheeler introduced new member Josh Fichmmann, a 38 year old accountant

who has been building models for 5 years. An accomplished model builder, you

BUSINESS REPORT

The Secretary's minutes were approved as printed in the June QUARTERDECK. The PSMS financial report was presented by Ed Leaf and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

CAMP ANGLEWOOD (Elkins park)

Due to the efforts of Tom and Alice McElhinney Camp Anglewood has invited our membership to participate in their Carnival Day August 10th,

11 am to 4 pm on Thursday August 10th.

See the article on page 2 of this issue for the details.

ANNUAL PSMS PICNIC will be held at the Jim and Betsy Nutt

Bonnie Ridge Farm, Sunday, August 12th, 3 to 6 pm. (See page 6)

NEW BUSINESS

SSMA INSURANCE

Pat Leaf noted that we can acquire up to \$1,000,000 in liability insurance coverage if we register as a club with SSMA (Scale Ship Modelers Association of America) Ed Leaf needs the names of 5 members and their membership ID number which can be found on the back cover of the quarterly journal. Send to pjlebl@comcast.net

BY-LAWS

A motion was made and accepted to hold an executive meeting to review and update the PSMS by-laws. (In 2013 the by-laws and constitution were combined). Five volunteer board members will be meeting at the Nutt's farm prior to the picnic.

WINTER MONTHLY MEETINGS

Topic/motion brought up regarding moving the winter monthly meetings (November thru February) from the first Thursday of each winter month to the first Sunday. Jim Wheeler will research this option with the Museum.

TASK FORCE 50

Set for August 20th. The regatta will begin at noon.

BATTERY PARK MARINE TOURS

A nautical tour of the Hudson and East rivers. Contact Jim MacIntyre

imacin5573@aol.com

Submitted: John Bullock; Ron Spicer

NOTICE! THERE WILL NOT BE A MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON AUGUST 3rd. THE PSMS PICNIC WILL PRE EMPT

SICK BAY

Spence Delin -Recovering from a dual knee operation and is doing well.

Spencer Anderson

Alice McElhinney

THESHACK

The Seaport Museum has chosen PSMS to represent ship modeling to the public. We are one of the few exhibits that can respond when asked a question (one other being the boat shop). We need volunteers to sit the shack on weekends. Take a model, meet the public and share our hobby.

Contact: Joe Jordan at jjvtown@aol.com
Or sign up on the web:
philadelphiashipmodelsociety.com

Forthcoming Events

Aug 3rd 7 pm PSMs Meeting Aug 10th Camp Anglewood, Fun Float 11 am Aug 12th Society Picnic 3 pm Task Force 50, 12 noon Aug 20 Sept 7th 7 pm PSMs Meeting Oct 5th 7 pm PSMs Meeting Nov 2rd 7 pm PSMs Meeting Dec 17th Christmas Brunch, 12 noon Corinthian Yatch Club

Essington, PA

Coast day at ISM - TBA

PARKING

Parking is free at the Parking Authority
Municipal Lot located directly in front of
the Seaport Museum for members attending the
monthly meetings. You must enter at the Walnut street
entrance. A volunteer member will be there to monitor
the gate between 6:15 and 6:50 PM. Those arriving
earlier or later should temporarily park to the side in the
oval and go to the front desk and obtain a parking pass,
which, after use must immediately be returned to the
front desk.



PSMS SHIRTS & CAPS WITH EMBROIDERED SOCIETY LOGO

LONG SLEEVED POLO SHIRTS NAVY BLUE **Men's sizes** small thru 4 XL. Add \$2.00 for 2XL, \$3.00 for 3XL and \$4.00 for 4 XL

Women's sizes thru 2X. \$35.00 SHORT SLEEVED POLO SHIRTS, NAVY BLUE Men's sizes small thru 6XL and tall in XL thru 3X Women's sizes small thru 3XL \$28.75 Hat 6 panel wave cap, navy with white trim \$14.50 FOR ORDERS:

Contact Pat Leaf At pjlebl@comcast.net

Please be sure of your size





CAMP ANGLEWOOD FUN FLOAT

Jim wheeler, Jim MacIntyre, Steve Bulova, Joe Jordon, and Ron Spicer traveled to Elkins Park and met with the owners, Chris and Joyce Hill along with PSMS member Tom McElhinney, who layed the ground work for this meeting. What they found was a beautiful, algae free, large shallow lake. The surroundings are bucolic. The lake is long and wide with a small island in the far center. As a result, PSMS has been invited to run our boats on Thursday, August 10th from 11 am to 4 pm. Although this day is the camp's Carnival Day, there were assurances that nothing would interfere with our boats. There will not be any rowboats or paddle boats in the lake that day. There is street parking outside the front gate and nearby streets can accommodate additional parking. Come. Have fun. Bring your boats.

PSMS ANNUAL PICNIC

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12th 3 TO 6 PM

at

Bonney Ridge Farm

Home of Jim & Betsy Nutt 475 Skippack Pike, Blue Bell, Pa (The Nutts will provide: Hamburgers & Hot Dogs, Condiments and Paper Products)

YOU are to bring chair(s) & towel(s) & pick from the following :

Potato Chips or Pretzels;

Salad: Waxed Bean, Green Bean, Potato, Veggie, Tossed, Macaroni, Beets; Fresh Corn (shucked, please), Deviled Eggs, Baked Beans.

Desserts: Cookies, Fresh Fruit, Cake, Pie (Try for things that can take outside temps); Soft drinks, lemonade, beer, wine

SWIMMING AT YOUR OWN RISK! YES, RCS ARE WELCOME!

RSVP by 1 August: Betsy Nutt: 610-220-6938;

betsynutt1@gmail.com



(When responding, please indicate how many persons are coming and what foods you're bringing. If we have too much of something, you may be requested to bring something else.

Thank you!)



STEAMSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Delaware Valley Chapter's May 21 meeting was held at the Red Dragon Canoe Club in Edgewater Park, New Jersey. Members enjoyed a picnic lunch, walks along the Delaware River and tours of the club's Shipman House, a Second Empire style mansion dating from the Civil War. Jack O'Byrne, executive director of the Camden Shipyard Maritime Museum, and his wife gave a presentation about the museum. Thanks to the Philadelphia Ship Model Society and Red Dragon Canoe Club member Pat Leaf for sponsoring the event

ISM BOAT SHOP NEWS

June 14th

Please take a look at the webcam. The boat shop is about full again. "Misleading lady ", a 1920's Ventnor run about is back for the final time to be detailed and have the massive motor installed. It is a beauty. A Beetle cat is also about to be finished after a lengthy time in storage. Five boats were dunked today in the basin. You might also want to see the second floor, where 15 or more boats are now racked outside the meeting room. An active time for sure.

Joe Jordan



ISLANDS AND MOVING DAY (regatta storage)

June 29th

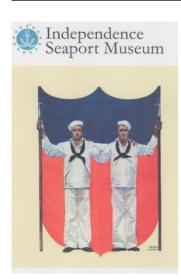
Well, it's done! We are out of the Navy Yard! We salvaged the Panama Canal, but not the piping. Saved: most islands and some icebergs. Bricks and bottles are now stored behind the front desk in the air handler room at I SM.

The stanchions are in the ticket booth near the shack. Radio boxes are in my garage pending Jim MacIntyre's thoughts. The new storage room was not a good spot for them.

Thanks to John Christinzio's "hail mary" location at 18th and Snyder at the very last moment for salvaged items as well as being a mover. Thanks also to Jim Wheeler, Ron Spicer, Steve Bulova, Gabe Christie (ISM) and myself....

Thanks also to Mark Donahue for his consistent help and support. Thanks to all for a really great PSMS!

Joe Jordan



WORLD WAR I USS OLYMPIA

Explore Cruiser Olympia's contribution during world War I in four chapters in this semi-permanent exhibit.

Opening Friday June 16th.



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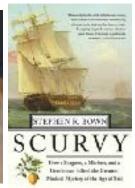
The Philadelphia Ship Model Society (PSMS) meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Independence Seaport Museum (ISM) at 1900 hours. ISM is located at Penn's landing, 211 South Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106. **Guests are always welcome!**PSMS annual dues are \$35.00 for an INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP \$40.00 for a FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: Includes MEMBER as well as family with children FREE

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SHOW AND TELL





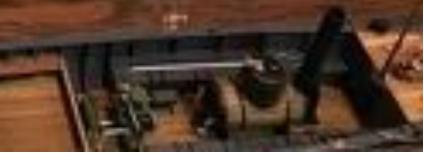


JIM NUTT

Dr. Jim Nutt brought his start of the Model Shipways 18th Century longboat kit. 1/4" scale. The planking has some gaps-should he sand or fill with putty?

Jim also discussed the book "SCURVY" by Stephen Bows and recommends it to those who are curious about this disease that





JOSH FICHMANN

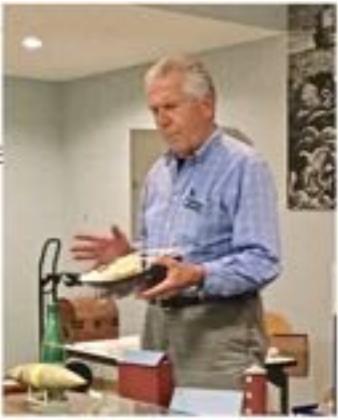
Model Expo Cival War picket boat. 1/24 scale. He replaced the kit supplied decking with individual planking. His favorite parts of the kit are the steam engine and the deck howitzer. History - it sank the confederate ship "ALBERMARLE". Well done Josh!



MIKE WEAVER

Talked about and showed methods for building models using various materials. Mike hopes to build a ship made of sheet copper using a cardboard kit for a template. Loved the Free coffee and donut story!





MARLOWE JONES

9 years old. Grandson of club member BOB JONES showed his pontoon equipped lego rescue helicopter in diorama form with simulated water (bubble pack).

Very creative and well done. Obviously, this young man has a future in model ship building. We look forward to his future participation.





CWO TODD WARDWELL

Brought the Disney Nautilus by Sci Fi Creations circa 1897. Scale 1/96. The model is shown with a rust effect. He is in the process of scratch building the interior.

Here Todd explains how to achieve the rust effect.

"The paint was **Metal Effects Iron Paint by Model Masters** paints. It is available at some specialty paint shops but most cheaply at Amazon. com or ebay.com. The rust effect is achieved by adding some 5 to 10% acetic acid (vinegar).

You then mix it with the iron paint in a separate cup until it resembles watered down mud. Slightly on the wetter side.

You then "slather" it on if you want heavy coverage. For smaller amounts, you can put it on with

regular model paint brushes. In about 1 to 3 hours the paint will rust. Use a stiff bristled artist brush to remove the rust layer to your desired effect."













ED LEAF

Showed the USS Winslow TB-5. Scale 1/120 Scratch built. Launched in 1897, noted for its involvement in the 1st and 2nd battles of Cardenas, Cuba during the Spanish -American War

As usual, well researched and expertly done.





CRAIG BENNETT

Japanese destroyer 1/400 scale (formerly the US destroyer USS Stewart. A fascinating story of WWII. Sunk in 1942 at Cavite Naval Base in the Philippines, salvaged and altered by the Japanese and returned to service to the end of the war. This is Greg's last meeting. He thanked everyone for their friendship and said farewell. He noted he is moving on to new horizons. We wish him well in his future endeavors



FRANCINE SERRATORE

Presented the USS Shaw- 1/96 scale, One of the ships bombed at Pearl Harbor - her forward section destroyed, she was repaired and reintroduced into the fleet and finished out the war on active duty.

Scratch built and in the beginning stages of the build, Francine found that bass wood worked just as well as balsa when fitting planks into tight turns on the hull.



MIKE ZIMMERMAN

Showed the 2 nice small models of the Monitor and Merrimack, scale !/220 (give or take!). The base is gray, covered in blue felt.

Mike said he was surprised to find the hull of the Merrimack covered with iron plates - which, of course, had to be removed. These models are nicely presented in a glass case.





SSMA The Scale Ship Modelers Association of North America, Incorporated (SSMA) is a not for profit organization as filed in the State of Delaware. SSMA was founded in 1988 to promote scale ship modeling. We assist our members and club affiliates by sharing ship building information, cooperatively providing liability insurance, providing assistance in organizing and publicity for regional and national regattas, and by representing their needs to the modeling industry.

Individual Membership As an individual member of the SSMA you are entitled to receive a quarterly newsletter and an official SSMA pin. Cost of membership is \$25.00 per year. Contact the Membership Director. You will find a membership application in included with this issue— please pass it along to a club member or friend. DO NOT SEND MEMBERSHIPS TO JOURNAL EDITOR.

Club Membership Membership in the SSMA is open to all radio control scale model boat clubs (electric, steam, and sail) residing in the North American Continent and related possessions. Each club is entitled to receive a Charter, the quarterly newsletter, and Regatta Handbook.

SSMA Newsletter The SSMA Newsletter is a quarterly newsletter. Articles, projects, pictures, info. etc. can be submitted to the Newsletter Editor

(Mike Toole) by emailing: journal@ssmana.org . Articles should be submitted, either by email in Microsoft Word, or Text format. Photographs should be submitted separately and at the highest resolution possible. (ACTUALLY, send in any format, we can figure something out.journal@ssmana.org) If you have questions about submitting pictures, you can email me as we may be able to assist you. Submissions are encouraged from any author, member or not. See disclaimer on front page. We assume unsolicited material is intended for publication unless otherwise noted. We assume letters, questions, news releases and club news items are contributed gratis. So there. And thank you for your participation!

For those who do not know about SSMA. Here is their statement of what they are and what they provide.

