

Hampton Roads Ship Model Society

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The society's November meeting was held at the home of Heinz Schiller on Friday the 10th. Sixteen members, honorary member Bill Williams of Richmond, and guests Leonard Wine, Tom Leahy, and Dave Shadell attended.

Skipper John Cheevers called the meeting to order at 2018 hours.

As the first order of business, Leonard Wine was accepted and welcomed as the newest member of the society.

Under old business, the skipper reminded the committee tasked to develop a certificate for the annual Founder's Award that a recommendation was required soon if it was to be implemented for this year's award presentation. The purser reported on his efforts to locate a suitable place to hold the ship model exhibit. He indicated that discussions have been held with Mareke Schiller regarding the use of her shop which will be available after the 1st of the year. Hampton's Arts Center and Newport News' Fine Arts Center have also been suggested as appropriate locations, and the skipper and purser intend to look into these also. The skipper reported on his discussions with Mr. Bruce Ebert, reporter for the daily press, regarding an article about the society. Mr. Ebert has asked that the society provide him a copy of the monthly newsletter, and when he sees something that would make for an interesting article, he will contact the society.

Under new business, the skipper reported that Bill Clarke had volunteered to chair the society's efforts to host the 1991 NRG Conference. Persons interested in assisting should contact Bill. Alan Frazer reported that the 1990 NRG Conference will be held on October 12-14. The purser next circulated a signup roster for the society's 1990 meeting schedule. Paris Aiken reported that Betty Lou Tragle will ask the society to help her review Tom's papers, etc., to determine what should go to the society. Included in these papers are items once belonging to a Mr. Hancock which Tom was holding for the society. Finally, Bill Fox reported that the WSMS has suggested a regional gathering of ship model clubs to exchange ideas, etc..

The skipper adjourned the meeting at 2058 hours.

Following the formal meeting, guest Dave Shadell presented an extremely interesting talk on the camouflaging of naval vessels during WWII. Our thanks to Bob Moritz for arranging his visit.

The December meeting will be held at the home of Jack Bobbitt, 69 Queen Street, Newport News (599-0557) on Friday the 8th. Note that this is a change to our previously published meeting schedule. Bring a friend.

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