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NEWSLETTER

The society's January meeting was hosted by Helen and Marvin Bryant and Betty Lou Tragle on Friday the 12th. Eleven members and guests Bill Johnson, Tom Leahey, Hugh Melton, John and Ann Nugent, and guest speaker LtCmdr Jim Sanford attended.

Skipper John Cheevers called the meeting to order at 2027 hours.

Tom Leahey was accepted/welcomed as the newest member of the society.

Under old business, skipper Cheevers again reminded the committee tasked to develop a certificate for the annual Founder's Award that a recommendation was needed by the February meeting.

Under new business, skipper Cheevers asked Jack Bobbitt to finalize the menu for the society's March Banquet so that information on the Banquet could be distributed with the next newsletter. (See the attached flyer for specifics regarding the banquet, and use the form therein for making your dinner reservations. Note that the completed form with payment must be received by the purser by not later than 28 February 1990. Concurrent pay ment of 1990 dues would also be welcomed.) Skipper Cheevers also noted that the society had received Christmas greetings from the WSMS. Guest John Nugent passed around a copy of a new magazine called "Seaways" and Alan Frazer did likewise with a new "International Marine Catalog of Boating Books." Paris Aikin advised that the builder of the Susan Constance is looking for a model builder to make a half hull model of the ship; call Paris for additional details. Purser Tom Hesse reported that Betty Lou Tragle had located the Hancock papers and that she was prepared to provide them to the society. Tom also noted that the December issue of the NR Journal has an article in memory of Tom Tragle. Bill Fox announced that the next meet ing of the Steamship Society will be held at the Chamberlain Hotel on January 21st; call Bill for additional details. Guest Bill Johnson thanked members who have worked on the pilot boat models for the very fine work that has been done.

Skipper Cheevers adjourned the meeting at 2042 hours.

Next, guest LtCmdr Jim Sanford presented a very interesting and informative talk on his experiences aboard the Navy aircraft carrier ABRAHAM LINCOLN, after which all present enjoyed refreshments provided by Helen and Betty Lou.

The February meeting of the society will be held at the home of Bill Fox, 112 Colonel's Way, Williamsburg (253-0310) at 2000 hours on Friday the 9th. Bring a friend as well as something nautical to share with the members.

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