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The February meeting of the HRSMS was held on the 12th at the home of Purser Bill Fox and was attended by 11 members and by guest John Tregellas. The meeting was called to order at 2015 by Skipper Bill Clarke.

Under old business, all those who attended the January meeting hosted by Marvin and Helen Bryant again expressed their appreciation to the Bryants and agreed that it was one of the best meetings in recent months.

Under new business, the Purser noted that annual dues of \$6.00 would be due from the membership in March. Discussion then turned to plans for the March dinner meeting. Jack Bobbitt announced that the event would be held in the James River Country Club's North Room on Saturday, March 12. Jack agreed to contact the Purser during the following week to finalize the menu and costs. Bill Fox agreed to get a speaker for the event, and Commodore Leroy Alexanderson, last Master of the S.S. UNITED STATES, was suggested (it was later learned that he was willing but would be in Europe on March 12). Awards to be presented at the meeting were discussed, to be announced Having attended the requisite three meetings as a guest, John Tregellas of Newport News was voted in as the newest member of the HRSMS. The meeting was adjourned at 2110, after which we enjoyed refreshments and admired Jack Bobbitt's progress on the frigate VIRGINIA.

The March meeting of the HRSMS will be a dinner meeting at the James River Country Club in Newport News on Saturday the 12th. Social hour will be from 6:30 to 7:30, with cash bar. Dinner at 7:30 will feature chicken cordon bleu as the entree' and will be followed by a presentation on the art of scrimshaw by Richard C. Malley, Associate Curator at the Mariners' Museum. Scrimshaw is Mr. Malley's special area of expertise, and his talk promises to be an interesting one. Before and after the dinner and presentation, a display of shipmodels by HRSMS members will be on hand for viewing, and all are encouraged to bring models and participate. Guests are welcome.

Cost of the dinner will be \$16.00 per person, payable to Purser Bill Fox (112 Colonel's Way, Williamsburg, VA 23185) by March 10. We regret that cancellations cannot be honored after that date, and money cannot be refunded. Please come and join us for a gala event! Send your reservations to the Purser as soon as possible, and please include your dues if not already paid.

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