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August Meeting

The August meeting was our annual Guild Birthday Party, this year held aboard HMS Surprise on a warm and beautiful San Diego Summer evening, highlighted by our own private Red Bull Airshow, as four aircraft representing the upcoming air races put on a fine show of formation flying. There was plenty of refreshments and comradery. About the only thing that could have improved the evening was to get underway. Now that we have our Coast Guard certificate of Inspection, that could soon be a reality. The following pages are some random photos of the event and photos of what we would like to end up with when our San Salvador project is complete.

SAN SALVADOR Project

Team members met informally to discuss progress. John Wickman, who prepared and cut the bulkheads and center piece, (then assembled them) gave Bob McPhail his team's model which is now at the "bulkheaded" stage. He also provided masts/bowsprit which he made. Dave Dana showed a "ready" set of windows which will run along each side of model. He will make two more sets. Howard Griffus showed a completed transom decoration. Howard will provide additional transom decorations to the other teams. Dave will work with crosses he has to test fit them to the transoms and possible paint the transom. Dave also showed deck grating which proved satisfactory for the models. He will put coaming around the gratings. Gratings were made out of Material which was obtained from a yardage store. Howard Griffus was asked to obtain eighteen cannon for the models (six per model). He will try to make them or purchase them from "THE DROMEDARY". Bob McPhail distributed wood for the models to the teams. Wood pieces consisted of a mixture of walnut, aspen, cherry, and basswood. Bob also gave the teams a listing of the dimensions of wood pieces and their "intended" use. Bob discussed the half models with Don Bienvenue. It was decided that different wood would be needed for their completion using the "lift" (bread and butter) method. Don will determine the six half model wood requirements and give the request to Bob Crawford.

There will be a team meeting before the regularly scheduled September meeting at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Brian Collard (not a member) wants someone to build a sixty four inch long r/c model of the CASTOR. He has the plans and is interested in pricing at this time. He is also searching for plans of a cargo vessel SD 14. You may reach him at 785-342-5991.

Mr. Sy Scheinberg (SMA member) is looking for some advise and guidance in building the Endeavor. He did not mention which kit it is. You may e-mail him at sscheinberg@exchange.fullerton.edu

Surprise Party



Don Dressel & Bob Crawford



Anh Vu & Don Bienvue



Khris Kelley, Joe Walther & John McShefferty



Victor Bianchini, Dave Dana & Peter Jaquith



Bill Luther, Chuck Seiler, & Lou Johnson





Chari Wessel, Bill and Mrs Grolz



Chris Kelleyl Joe Walther John McShefferty



John Wickman



Don Bienvenue, Don Dressel, Bob Crawford



Lou Johnson Chuck Seiler



Tony Bunch & Bill Luther



San Salvador

Main Top

Aft Quarter



Shrouds & Deadeyes

Waist and Capstan



Ladder and Deck Detail



The Maritime Museum of San Diego, in conjunction with other leading maritime heritage organizations is proud to announce the Eighth Maritime Heritage Conference, to be held in San Diego, October 9 – 12, 2007. The conference chair is Dr. Raymond E. Ashley, Executive Director of the Maritime Museum of San Diego. Participating organizations include: The San Diego Aircraft Carrier Museum, The American Lighthouse Coordinating Committee, the Council of American Maritime Museums, the Historic Naval Ships Association, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Maritime Historical Society, the Museum Small Craft Association, the National Park Service, the Naval Historical Foundation, the North American Society for Oceanic History, the Nautical Research Guild, the U.S. Life-Saving Service Heritage Association, the Steamship Historical Society of America and the U.S. Lighthouse Society.



Scope and Purpose:

The Maritime Heritage Conference is a triennial event designed specifically for those from all walks of life interested in maritime culture, history, and heritage. It gives the opportunity for researchers in the manifold aspects of the story of human interaction with oceans, seas, and waterways, to share their knowledge and enthusiasm for this integral part of our history. Specialists in maritime history, education, the preservation of historic vessels, marine sanctuaries, underwater archaeology, as well as interested amateurs will have the opportunity to socialize, exchange experiences and ideas, and learn from each other. This will occur through formal receptions, keynote addresses, and close to 200 individual papers to be delivered at more than seventy panels.

The Conference Program:

In line with the scope and content of previous Maritime Heritage Conferences, the San Diego conference will focus on a broad array of topics. The conference's official Call for Papers has now expired. The response from member organizations and interested individuals has been truly phenomenal. Member organizations have contributed more than thirty panels. Added to this, over 100 individual papers have been submitted. Conference attendees can expect a program of more than 70 different panels to choose from. Further information is available from the Conference Program Chair, Kevin Sheehan, at The Maritime Museum of San Diego, 1492 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, California 92101. Phone (619) 234-9153, ext. 118; Fax: (619) 234-8345.; or send him an Email

Conference Registration:

Conference registration is now available. We encourage participants to book early to enjoy the best discounts for registration.

The Conference Venue:

The organizers expect as many as 500 attendees. The conference will officially commence with a welcome reception on the *Star of India* on the evening of Tuesday October 9, 2007. For the next three days, October 10 through 12, conference participants will have the opportunity of selecting from more than 70 different break-out sessions. The proceedings will officially conclude with a twilight dinner cruise on San Diego Bay. Both the welcome reception and the dinner cruise are included with full registration.

Conference highlights:



To make the forthcoming conference a truly memorable occasion, the conference organizers have put in place a series of events to highlight the many faces of maritime heritage.

On Monday October 8th, the day before conference registration begins, the World War II Victory Ship SS *Lane Victory* will sail from San Pedro near Los Angeles to San Diego. The United States Merchant Marine Veterans of World War II (USMMVWWII) have graciously offered to transport conference attendees **free of charge** from San Pedro to San Diego. Attendees will also have

the option of returning to Los Angeles on board the *Lane Victory* on the morning of Monday October 15. She will be berthed alongside the Maritime Museum of San Diego for the duration of the conference and will form an integral part of the conference venues. If you are interested in traveling on the *Lane Victory* be sure to check the appropriate boxes on the conference registration form.

Keynote Speakers:

We are pleased to announce that two specialists in maritime heritage, Ian Toll and Alex Roland, will deliver keynote addresses at the conference.

Vendors and Exhibitors:

In line with past conferences, the Eighth Maritime Heritage Conference welcomes vendors interested in exhibiting their products.

Annual General Meetings:

Participating organizations will have the option of conducting their annual general meetings on Saturday, October 13. Arrangements for these meetings can be made through the Conference Coordinator, Robyn Wilner. She may be contacted at The Maritime Museum of San Diego, 1492 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, California 92101. Phone (619) 234-9153, ext. 106; Fax: (619) 234-8345.

Special Note: Both the Nautical Research Guild and the San Diego Ship Modelers Guild will have booths at the conference and are in great need of volunteers to help meet and greet visitors. Contact Bob Crawford <redacted> or Don Dressel to volunteer.



REGISTRATION FORM
October 9-12, 2007

Full Name _____
 Name as you would like it on name Tag _____
 Organization _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____
 Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Conference Prices

Full conference fees include entrance to all breakout sessions, welcome reception, keynote address, daily continental breakfasts and evening banquet on luxury yacht.

Early Registration (Postmarked or faxed by August 1, 2007)	\$300	_____
Registration by September 15, 2007	\$325	_____
Late and on-site registration (after Sept 15)	\$350	_____
One day only (does not include receptions) per day price	\$150	_____
Welcome reception only, Oct. 9	\$ 25	_____
Banquet only, Oct. 12	\$ 65	_____
Guest for reception only, Oct. 9	\$ 25	_____
Guest for banquet only, Oct. 12	\$ 65	_____
Total enclosed	\$	_____
Lane Victory Cruise San Pedro – San Diego October 8	(free)	_____
Lane Victory Cruise San Diego – San Pedro October 15	(free)	_____
Banquet meal choice	Steak _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____	
	(please select one)	
Guest meal choice	Steak _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____	
	(please select one)	

Please note: Registrants with special needs can be reasonably accommodated. Contact Conference Coordinator, Robyn Wilner, 619-234-9153 ext. 106, 619-234-8345 fax or e-mail at rwilner@sdmaritime.org

Payment Information

_____ Check made payable to Maritime Museum of San Diego
 _____ Money Order
 _____ Credit card (circle one) VISA Master Card American Express

Account number _____

Account Name _____

Signature _____

Security Code (3 digits) _____ Expiration Date _____

Mail your registration form and payment to:

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**Next Meeting will be aboard the Berkeley
Wednesday September 12 at 7:00 pm**

