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Established in 1972 by
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“Inspiration is one thing and you can’t control it, but hard work is what keeps the ship moving. Good luck means work hard. Keep up the good work!” - Kevin Eubanks

Happy New Year, Guild!

Photo provided by Howard Griffus

MINUTES OF 12 DECEMBER 2017 GUILD MEETING

Guild Master Jon Sanford opened the meeting at the San Diego Maritime Museum on the Passenger Deck aboard the Steam Ferry *BERKELEY*. **Isaac Wills** began by leading a recitation of *The Pledge of Allegiance*. Twenty one (21) Guild members were in attendance and eleven (11) **Guests** were introduced before the Guild Master adjourned the meeting to begin a festive **Holiday Dinner!** In addition to the Mexican themed dinner and libations, holiday tamales were featured along with dessert pastry distributed by **Jon Sanford**.

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MINUTES continued -

A giveaway table was stocked with miscellaneous ship modeling materials and tools that had been donated and collected throughout 2017 and was enjoyed by Guild Members. Several pictures of the dinner are included on the next page since the usual **Show and Tell** was suspended for this meeting. After dinner was concluded **Guild Master Jon Sanford** conducted a brief meeting before the evening was concluded. Please see the Guild Master's message on the next page.

Purser's Report: Purser Gary Seaton reported the guild balance as of 1 December was \$<redacted>. Gary reminded us that membership dues will be collected in the New Year and the dues will remain at \$20.00. Gary accepts checks or cash and they can be brought to a monthly meeting or mailed to: Gary Seaton, <redacted>. Checks can be made payable to "San Diego Ship Modelers Guild".

Editor's Report: Guy Lawrie had no news to report.

Log Keeper Report: Isaac Wills had no news to report.

Web Master's Report: Rob Wood had no news to report.

First Mate's Report: Ed Torrence reported that working with **James Pitt**, progress is being made on providing a sample polo shirt in true blue with a guild logo. Look for details in the very near future!

Community Group Build Report: Mike Lonnecker reported a build meeting held at his home on December 2 was held with all hands participating and helpful building tips exchanged. **The next scheduled meeting is at 1:00 PM on Saturday, January 6 on the upper deck of the Berkeley.** **Mike and the community build, seen below, are welcoming all members whether building the Admiral's Barge or not to participate with any modeling projects they might have.**



Community Build participants from left clockwise: Gary Seaton, Bill Grolz, Mike Lonnecker, Alex Roel, James Pitt, Bob Kyle, and Steve McGivern

**Next meeting is
9 January 2018
5:30 PM - Social
5:30 Officer's Meeting
6:00 PM Meeting
Bring a Model!**

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Community Build Meeting, 1:00 PM aboard the Berkeley upper passenger deck!

Guild Master Sanford and Museum Manager of Collections Kevin Sheehan, Ph.D. asked that this sad news for the Ship Modeling Community be passed on.

It is with great sadness that we share the news that long time master model ship builder, Joe Bompensiero, 10/21/1925 - 12/05/2017, has passed away. He is survived by his son, Salvatore Bompensiero. Joe's impressive modeling skills have been admired by many near and far. Visitors to the Maritime Museum of San Diego continue to enjoy some of Joe's models there on display.

Guild Master and New Business Report: Jon Sanford alerted the membership to upcoming officer elections. Any folks interested in serving the Guild should contact Jon. Look for future alerts on this matter. Jon also wishes everyone a **Happy New Year!**





Think about

(Bob Kyle making progress on a project in the Museum Model Shop and representing the Guild to Maritime Museum visitors!)

Helping Out
(James Pitt and Jon Sanford working on a restoration and sharing a tale!)



In the Museum Model Shop!

(and while there, maybe give a young visitor the gift of modeling in the form of one of our paper ships”!)