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FROM THE QUARTERDECK

Given the scheduled upcoming events and those over the next several years, I feel that it is important to increase the Treasury reserves. To do so, I look to the December White Whale Auction as a source of revenue for the Club. However, the October Brookdale College Show offers an excellent opportunity to generate additional cash for the Club. I am proposing that the members consider donating to the Club any model kits, books, tools or other items of modeling interest that the Club will then sell at the show. A separate table will be set up for this purpose with all proceeds going to the Club. I'll ask for a list of such items you will be willing to donate at the September meeting.

On a separate note, I would also like the members to consider what specific topics for future tech sessions they would like to see offered at the meetings. For those of us who have been in the club for a number of years, it might seem that the tech sessions are more like TV reruns that we've seen several times with the same people and same topics being repeated. I do want the meetings to be interesting and instructive. Please give some thought to this matter and either bring it up at the September meeting or contact Ed Hegstetter or Mike Gutsick with some ideas you might have.

Jeff Fuglestad
President

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING August 23, 2005

President **Jeff Fuglestad** called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. We had 28 members attending including **Bill Farrar**, here for his third meeting. Bill was unanimously elected to membership.

We also had two visitors, **Ed Marrie**, attending his second meeting and **Mike Powell**, son of **Dennis Powell**. Mike is currently undergoing EOD training in the Navy.

Jeff reported that ten members attended the South Street show earlier in August. Our participants thought it was a well organized event.

Ken Schuetz gave a brief update on the December library exhibition. We will have at least thirty models on display for the month.

Gary Kingzett reported that we have been asked to participate in an exhibition early in 2006 at the Belskie Museum of Art and Science in Closter, NJ. The members were generally supportive of our participation. However, this request prompted a discussion of the extent to which we as a club wished to reach out to the general public during a given year. Right now we have a very full plate, that being the October exhibit at Brookdale, the library exhibit in December, the joint club meeting in April (which will require significant input on our part), a presence next August at South Street then consideration of having another show of our own in October 2006. Seems like a lot to do, even if some of these events are organized by others and our involvement is completely voluntary. The bottom line was that the members felt we should attempt to manage our outside activities and not over commit unless any member(s) on their own wished to support some outside exhibit (such as the one in Clifton that **Roy Goroski** and others attended last year). There was a general consensus among the members that one event a year in which the Club was responsible for all activity was appropriate. It was also felt that we need not consider a show in October of 2006 in view of our hosting the joint club meeting in April 2006. In any event, Gary will get more details about this current request and then members can decide if they wish to attend as a club sponsored involvement or simply on a member's own initiative.

After that, I am somewhat reluctant to bring up our October 8 exhibition at Brookdale Community College but there are some details that need mentioning. The College facilities will open for us by 8:30 AM in order to permit setup time. The tables are 2'x5' and are in excellent condition. I don't think we need paper table covers. We will provide food similar to last year but members will be asked to pay for lunch (\$5.00?). The Treasury is a bit skimpy at present. Press releases went out from the school to a large number of media locations and we are hopeful that at least one will pick up the story and give us more coverage. Other than that all we need are a lot of models.



BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS

Professor **Don Otis** passed around a recently acquired book entitled "Chapman: Great Sailing Ships of the World" by Otmar Schauffelen and published by Hearst Books. This volume is an encyclopedia of every known current ocean going, stationary museum and modern replica sailing ship around the world.

Steve Fletcher showed two books. The first was "The Model Ship- Her Role in History" by Norman Napier Boyd and published by Antique Collectors Club, Ltd. Woodbridge, Suffolk, UK. This is a history of the use of models from earliest times to today. Next, Steve showed us "Scurvy" by Steven Bown and published by Thomas Dunne Books in August 2005. This is a novel centered on the identification of the cause and cure of scurvy. WOW!



SHOW AND TELL

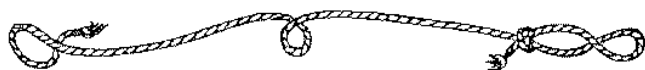
Newly elected member **BILL FARRAR** showed a scratch built half hull model of a Star class sailboat, the prototype of which Bill actively races up and down the East Coast.



HENRY SCHAEFFER had a model of the U.S. schooner *Independence*, an Artesania Latina kit in 1:35th scale. Henry talked a bit about the plans and instructions for the model which overcome the usual language problem by showing everything in very detailed pictures and drawings. One only has to follow the pictures to complete the model. No need to worry about one's ability to read Spanish or Italian.

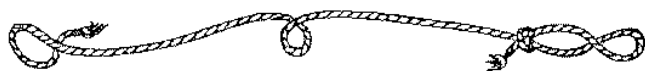


FRANCIOS LACHELIER brought his completed model of a Dutch sailing yacht built from a Mamoli kit in 1:35th scale, significantly modified to portray the boat owned by a friend of his.



TECH SESSION

There was no tech session tonight. Instead, the troops were treated to watching videos taken by **Henry Schaeffer** during his recent cruise on the Queen Mary II to Northern Europe.

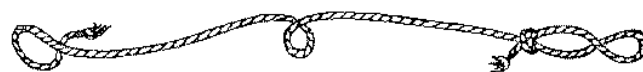


FROM THE EDITOR

The Brookdale College Show is just around the corner. As it stands now, 19 members have

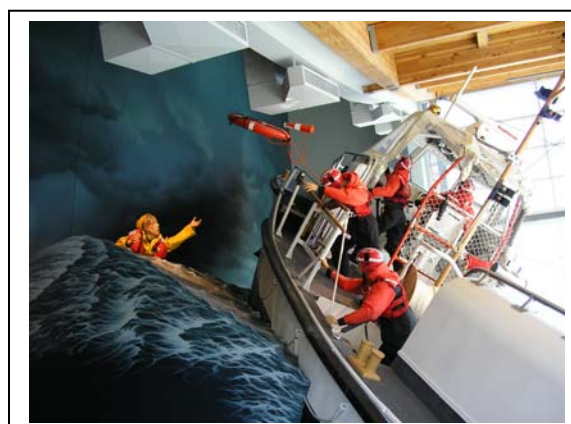
indicated that they will positively be attending the show based on the sign up sheet I've been passing around at the last two meetings. Positive responses have been received from some of the other clubs in the region so it's shaping up to be a great event. I'm hoping many more will be attending the show. If you think you'll be coming and bringing a model, or hopefully, models to the show but weren't around at the last two meetings, please contact me either by phone (973-734-1648) or e-mail (mikejgutsick@optonline.net) so I can give Tom McGowan more accurate space requirements.

Mike Gutsick



"Soundings from D Deck"

If you ever find yourself in Astoria, Oregon, you absolutely must go and see the Columbia River Maritime Museum. It's fantastic! There are full size fishing boats on display, Coast Guard Rescue Boats, exquisite ship models from all periods and the Lightship *Columbia* which you can explore on a self-guided tour. Here are a couple of the pictures I took -





UPCOMING TECH SESSIONS

September 27, 2005 – Ozzie Thalmann will discuss plastic to wood lamination techniques

October 25, 2005 – Ernest Connor will discuss techniques for weathering your model

November 22, 2005 – To Be Determined

December 2005 – White Whale Auction

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Regular meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:30 P.M., at the Millburn Free Public Library, 200 Glen Avenue, Millburn, New Jersey.

Guests are always welcome.

Contributions to the **BROADAXE** are always welcome, and SMSNNJ members are encouraged to participate. Articles, shop hints and news items may be submitted directly to The Editor as typed manuscript or electronic files, either on discs or by e-mail. Handwritten notes or other materials will be considered depending on the amount of editing and preparation involved.

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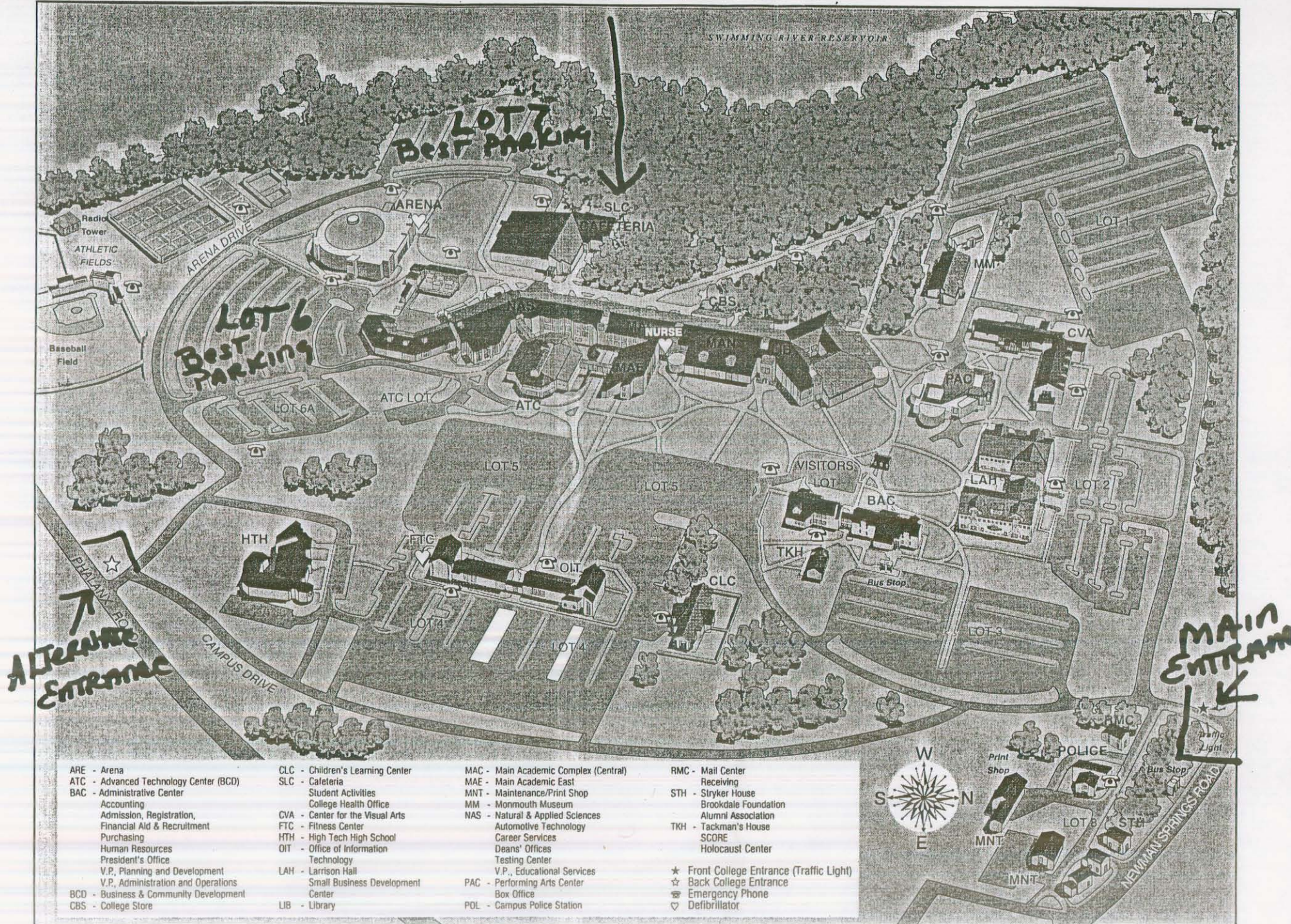
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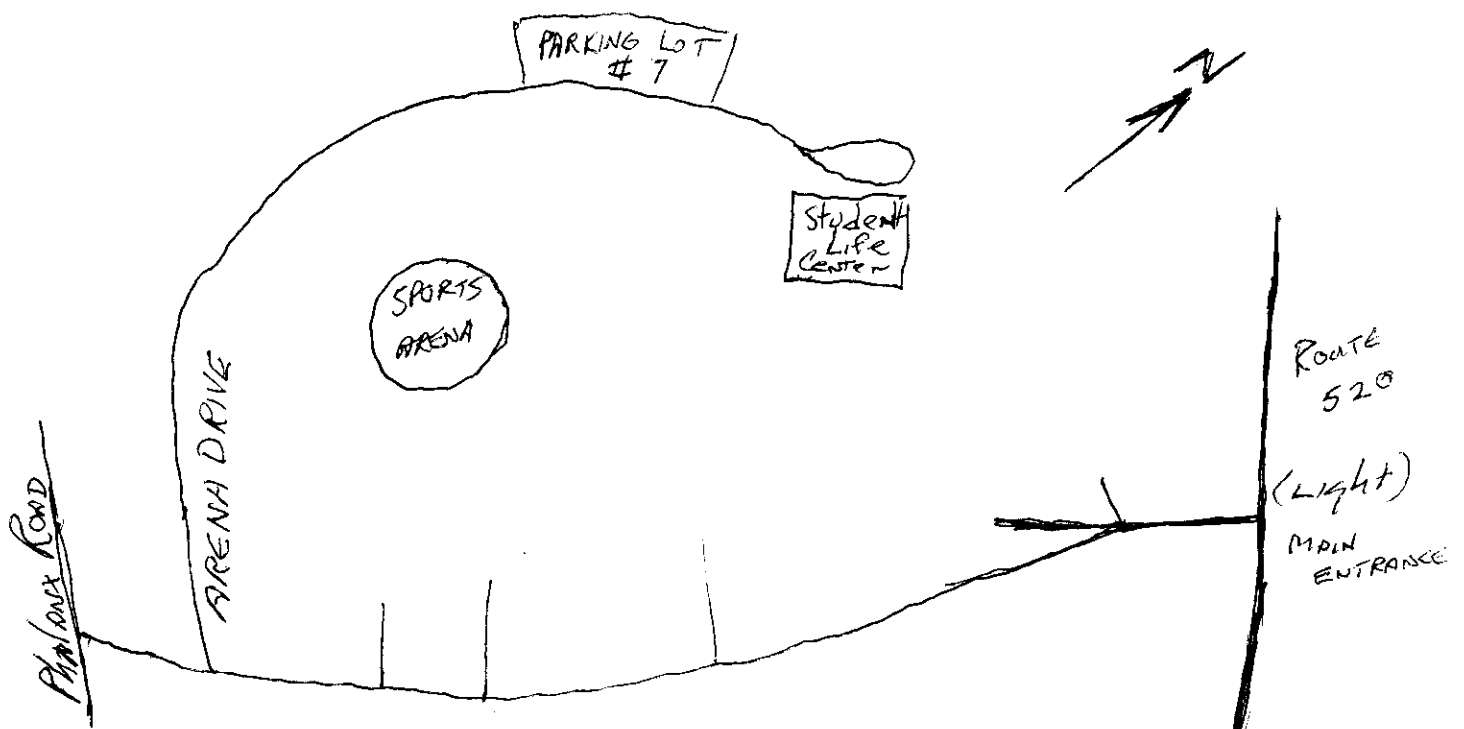
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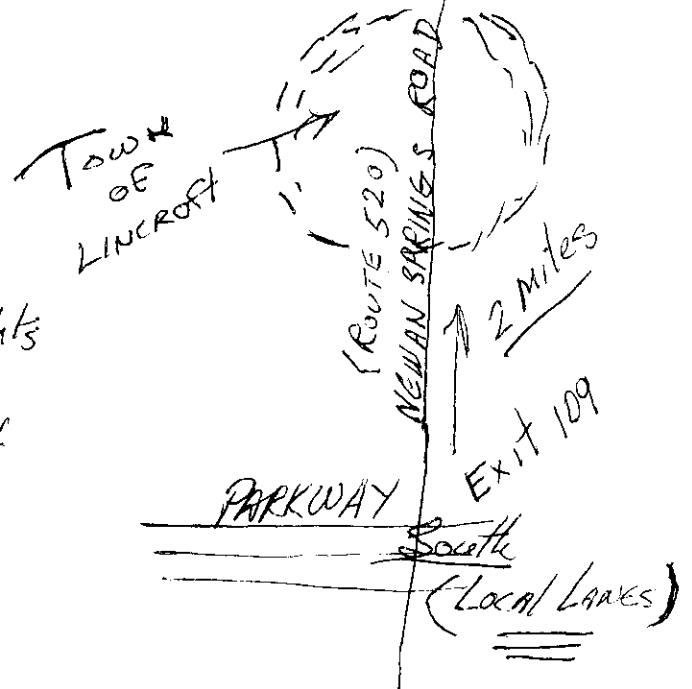
STUDENT Life Center





PARKWAY (LOCAL LONES)
 TO EXIT 109
 Right on to Newnan Springs
 Road (County rte 520)
 through Lincroft (3
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 Light at college
 ENTRANCE (two miles
 from PARKWAY)

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 IN the town
 OF LINCROFT



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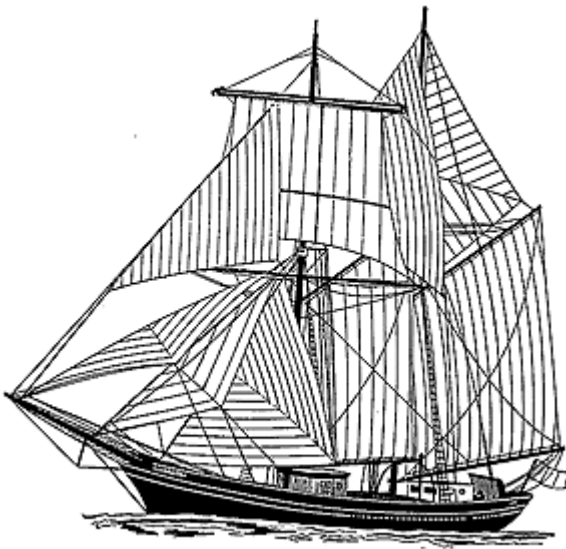
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TECH SESSION

*Laminating Plastic to
Wood*
Ozzie Thalmann