Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (BNJARS) Minutes of the General Membership Meeting of December 12, 2009

The meeting was conducted in the 1st Class Lounge of the Battleship New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 1000 hours with the pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. (Listed on the Web).

Officers/Directors:

President: Harry Bryant, AA2WN Vice President: Ed Clark, W2KP Secretary: Ron Cohen, K3ZKO Treasurer: Lou Priestly, N2HQL

Chief Engineer: Dave Burgess, WA2TVS

Directors:

Margaret Burgess, KB2BRR Bill Bacon, KE2XC Beth Barnish, KB2EAL

Presidents Report:

Thanks to everyone for coming out today on this warm sunny day. . I have nothing new to report.

<u>Guest:</u> Russ Barber, N3HPX – Bob Imperio, N4XAT – Len Wolanski, WA2BTK – George Strayline, W2GSS – Codt Goddard, KB3MRL.

Vice President Report: Nothing to report

Secretary Report: Nothing to report.

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Lou, N2HQL, reported that we now have a total of \$945.00 in our treasury as of this date.

<u>Chief Engineers Report:</u> Dave, WA2TVS, Work wise, Saturdays are doing pretty well. Transmitter room coming along great, cleaning up all of the equipment that has been laying around. Operating wise, future plans are to have field day operations aboard ship June 26 and June 27, I will be taking applications from those who wish to participate.

<u>Directors:</u> Margaret, KB2BRR, if anyone is interested we have 39,270 volunteer hours from the BNJARS members between April 2001 and November 2009. I have sent out 96 certificates with another 50 to 60 to be done from Ships Weekend. Next year there will be at least three additional ships participating.

Permanent Committee Reports:

Education/Scouting: Doug, WA2NPD, the template for Merit badges is missing and I have a new one being made. There is also a problem with the laptop computers battery.

Emergency Communications: Ed, W2KP, nothing to report at this time.

Standing Committee Reports:

QSL Committee: Margaret, KB2BRR reports that this past Quarter we had 184 contacts for a grand total of 28,247 contacts made from the ship with over 5,481 QSL cards received and answered thru August 2009. Our postage balance is \$39.92.

AD Hoc Committees:

Restoration: John Saracen, WB2DFB, have been working on the SP600, replaced 58 capacitors so far with about 10 more to go. The tonight I will be replacing the repaired IF transformers in the R390, next week perform the alignment and it will be ready for pickup.

<u>Public Events:</u> Harry, AA2WN, No public events.

Old Business: Margaret, KB2BRR has submitted all of the paperwork for the DXCC award.

<u>New Business:</u> Harry, AA2WN, explains to us that every volunteer for the Battleship New Jersey will be receiving a copy of, "The Chapel of Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Award". This award program recognizes public service work accomplished by volunteers. Only active volunteer prior to July1, 2009 will be eligible to receive this certificate. The Chapel of Four Chaplains is located at the Philadelphia Navy Yard and that's where the ceremony was held.

Good of the Order:

Next meeting: will be Saturday, February 13, 2010

Meeting was adjourned at 1100 hours Ronald Cohen, K3ZKO Secretary