



INTERNATIONAL SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION

DETROIT LODGE NO. 7

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December 18, 2012

TO: The Members of Detroit Lodge No. 7

Your ballot for the lodge's annual election is enclosed. The ballot has been embossed with the lodge seal and should be returned in the envelope provided. The ballots, whether returned by mail or in person, will be opened and counted by the Election Committee at the lodge's Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 5, 2013. Election results will be announced at the Annual Meeting. If you plan on returning your ballot by U.S. Mail, be sure to get it in the mail early enough so that it will arrive in my mailbox by Friday, January 4.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at 10:30 AM at J.W. Westcott Co. The lodge luncheon will commence at 12:00 Noon with the Annual Meeting of Detroit Lodge No. 7 to follow at 1:00 PM. The Annual Meeting will include a report on the lodge's revenues and expenses during the past year. As noted above, the results of the lodge election will be announced at the Annual Meeting.

It is with a great deal of sadness that I report the death of yet another lodge member. Robert D. Baldwin, suffering from cancer, passed away on December 10, 2012. Bob was a member of the lodge for 13 years and had served as lodge President in 2003. His wife Barbara preceded him in death by just 5 days. She died on December 5 after a very long illness. The Baldwins had often journeyed down from their retirement home on Harsens Island to attend lodge functions until failing health curtailed their travels. They were both 87 years of age and had been married for 67 years. A memorial page about the Baldwins is enclosed.

I also report the passing of Mr. Ivan Ludington, Jr. who died on December 1, 2012 at the age of 87. Mr. Ludington was instrumental in funding and supporting the Captain Lewis Ludington Award at Mariners' Church. Lodge member Jack Frost, as one of the most recent recipients of the Capt. Lewis Ludington Award, attended the memorial service and was warmly greeted by the Ludington family. The memorial service was conducted by lodge Co-Chaplain Fr. Paul Innes, Acting Rector of Mariners' Church. A memorial page with biographical information about Mr. Ludington is enclosed.

In the spirit of the season, I would like to wish "Happy Holidays" and "Best of the New Year" to one and all!

Fraternally yours,

Paul M. Jagenow
Secretary-Treasurer

In Memory of

Capt. Robert D. Baldwin

February 5, 1925 - December 10, 2012

Pennant No. 11828

and

Barbara C. Baldwin

July 31, 1925 - December 5, 2012



Lodge member Bob Baldwin passed away on Monday, December 10, 2012, just five days after the passing of his wife Barbara, who passed away on Wednesday, December 5, 2012. Both 87 years of age, they had been married for 67 years.

The Baldwins made their home in Berkley, Michigan for 40 years before moving to Harsens Island in the early 1990's.

Captain Baldwin was a graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, NY and served aboard merchant vessels during World War II. Following the war, he worked as a heating consultant for Detroit Edison for more than 40 years. Bob joined Detroit Lodge No. 7 on December 13, 1999 and served as Lodge President in 2003. In addition to ISMA, Bob was also a member of the American Merchant Marine Veterans Association.

Barbara worked as an eye technician at the Oakland County Health Department for many years. She was also involved with St. Paul's Church on Harsens Island.

They were preceded in death by their son, Robert F. Baldwin; and daughter, Nancy Baldwin.

A daughter, Janet S. Persinger, survives.

On Saturday, December 15, 2012, the family held a joint memorial service at the Sawyer-Fuller Funeral Home, 2125 12 Mile Road in Berkley.

Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, the American Diabetes Association, and/or the American Cancer Society.

Additional photos and an on-line guest book can be found at www.sawyerfuller.com

In Memory of

Ivan Ludington, Jr.

November 4, 1925 – December 1, 2012

Grandson of Captain Lewis Ludington



Ivan Ludington, Jr. age 87 of Rochester, Michigan, passed away on December 1, 2012. Ivan was the grandson of Captain Lewis Ludington, a prominent shipmaster and vessel owner on the Great Lakes from 1882-1909, who held ISMA Pennant No. 1644. It was in Captain Ludington's honor that Ivan and Mariner's Church of Detroit established the annual *Captain Lewis Ludington Award*, awarded to ISMA members every spring. Since the award was established in 1994, Ivan Ludington was on hand at the annual Blessing of the Fleet to present the awards on behalf of the Ludington family.

Ivan was the former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Ludington News Company, a family business formed by Captain Lewis Ludington in 1921. He attended the University of Michigan and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Ivan was always very committed to helping his community. In 1952 he joined the Bloomfield Village Fire Department. He served on the department for 15 years, the last 5, as Chief. When Ivan relocated to Detroit, he continued his commitment to the community by serving on the Boards of the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, Hutzel Hospital, Brighton Hospital, and the Detroit Public Library Commission. He was also a past President of the Detroit Athletic Club. Ivan's favorite recreation was spending time with his family at his summer home in Harbor Beach, Michigan. The home had been in his family for more than 140 years. He is loved by his family and friends alike for his integrity, warm heart, and his love for "Gin Rummy".

A memorial service was held on Saturday, December 8, 2012, at the Potere-Modetz Funeral Home, 339 Walnut Blvd., in Rochester.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to the Kimberly Anne Gillary Foundation, 201 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. 1020, Troy, MI 48084 (www.kimberlysgift.org) or Mariner's Church of Detroit, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48226.



*Taken at the 47th Annual Blessing of the Fleet - March 13, 2011:
Standing, left to right: Rev. Paul Innes, Rev. Richard Ingalls, Jr.
and Dana Ludington, (Great-Grandson of Lewis Ludington).*

*Seated: Ivan Ludington, Jr. (Grandson of Lewis Ludington);
and Marie Kowaleski.*