

JOHN O. GREENWOOD

We regret to inform our members that John O. Greenwood, aged 68, passed away at his Shaker Heights, Ohio, home on January 11, 2004, after a short battle with cancer. A funeral service was held at St. John Lutheran Church, Euclid, Ohio, on January 17 and interment was in Lake View Cemetery.

John was member 70 of T.M.H.S., which means that he joined in late 1969 or early 1970. He was a staunch supporter of our Society and often provided for us marine news items that were not available elsewhere. He also was president of Freshwater Press, Inc., Cleveland, and former executive vice-president of the Interlake Steamship Company.

He was born at St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1935, and worked on lake freighters whilst in college. His first job in lake shipping management was with Cargill Inc., where he was a vessel cargo broker. It also was his job to arrange the sale for scrapping of the venerable Cargo Carriers Inc. (and former Interlake) steamers CALUMET, HEMLOCK and HARRY R. JONES which were the first lakers sold for overseas scrapping after the 1959 opening of the new St. Lawrence Seaway.

In his work with Freshwater Press, John published two annual lake shipping guides, arranged for the reproduction of several important historical marine books, published Ivan Brookes' invaluable (we mean it!) research work The Lower St. Lawrence, as well as the Marine Historical Society of Detroit's "Great Lakes Ships We Remember" series, and wrote himself the various books of the "Namesakes" and "Fleet History" series. In 2003, he was named Marine Historian of the Year by the M.H.S.D.

John is survived by his wife of over 40 years, Jane, and by their daughter Holly, her husband David Montanari, and their children Taylor, Matthew, Nicholas and Mary Jane. To the family we extend our most sincere sympathies.

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SHIPS IN TROUBLE

Skip Gillham's latest book is a 128-page, 6½" x 9" softcover featuring over 200 b&w photos of lake ships that got themselves into tight spots, together with explanatory captions. Ships in Trouble: The Great Lakes 1850-1930 is published by Looking Back Press, an imprint of Vanwell Publishing Limited and the cost is \$22.95. Contact Vanessa Kooter at Looking Back Press, P.O. Box 2131, 1 Northrup Crescent, St. Catharines, Ontario L2R 7S2, or phone 1-800-661-6136.

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CHARLES R. HUNTLEY REVISITED

By way of follow-up to our feature in the January issue, and thanks to member Bill Schell as well as Dr. Ian S. Buxton, we can now state that the HUNTLEY was launched on February 12, 1926, and her sister, JAMES STEWART, on March 2, 1926. The HUNTLEY sailed from Partington (on the Manchester Ship Canal) on April 1st and from Eastham (at the mouth of the canal) on the 6th. She reportedly sustained weather damage and put back to Cobh, Ireland, on April 18. She set out again on April 24, and arrived safely at Montreal on May 10, 1926.

Also, thanks to Capt. John Tackaberry, we know that the name of the HUNTLEY's master in 1927 was I. L. Mateer (not MacTeer). He had been the first captain of WILLIAM H. DANIELS when she entered lake service.

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