



# The Ground Rules



*The firm's holiday party will be held on  
December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 11:30 – 3:30 p.m.*

*New York Yacht Club*

*37 West 44<sup>th</sup> Street*

*All friends and colleagues  
are invited to attend*



## Holiday 2009 - 2010

For many of our friends and clients we know that the past year has been an economic challenge. However, there appears to be recovery looming in the future, hopefully sooner rather than later.

We, at Martin & Ottaway, have also noted a downward trend during the past year but are confident in the future and, in fact, see cases, projects and surveys picking up even now.

Throughout these tough economic times the Firm has maintained our unique staff of professionals and we are, as in the past, ready and able to serve our many clients and their diverse needs.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a special thanks to our consultants and administrative staff who have with their dedication enabled the Firm to conduct its business in a professional manner during these trying times.

As we look to the year 2010, I wish all of you, friends, clients and occasional readers, a happy holiday season and prosperity in the future.

*Jim Dolan, President*

## “Finished with Engines”



Our friend and loyal associate, Chris Hanges, retired from our firm in September of this year.

I had the privilege of working for almost thirty years with Chris during which time we had a lot of fun and covered a great variety of projects in our profession. Chris brought to our

firm an immense amount of expertise in the areas of ship management, valuations, sales and purchase matters, chartering and related aspects.

He was known for taking an unusual project, “go into hiding”, studying all aspects in depth, and come up with a solution that frequently pleasantly surprised both his colleagues as well as our clients.

He enjoyed the confidence of ship brokers and financial institutions, the U.S. Government (IRS), as well as Marine Underwriters in the area of ship appraisal and operating costs determination.

Personally, I am indebted to Chris for sometimes being my alter ego and making me more than once question my own decisions.

Chris had a very warm personality and was always concerned with the well being of friends and associates.

I am certain that all of our staff and many of our clients who know him well want to join me in saying “Good health and farewell into the land of retirement”.

Bon Voyage, Chris!

*Henk van Hemmen*

## MARPOL Consulting

On June 10, 2009, both Pierce Power and James Dolan gave two presentations “*MARPOL Culture*” and “*Guide to Filling Out an Oil Record Book*” to include practical examples and a workshop at the Dobson Fleet Management and Star Reefers, Seafarers Senior Officers Conference being held in Riga, Latvia. The seminar is part of the continued educational programme set in place for officers, both deck and engine room, with regard to MARPOL, to explain the various aspects of MARPOL to include the background of the legislation, and also with regard to informing the officers of the pending future legislation.

Again Pierce presented the above services at another Norbulk crew conference in Riga Latvia on September 16, 2009 and at the Star Poland senior officers conference in Gdansk, Poland on September 17, 2009.

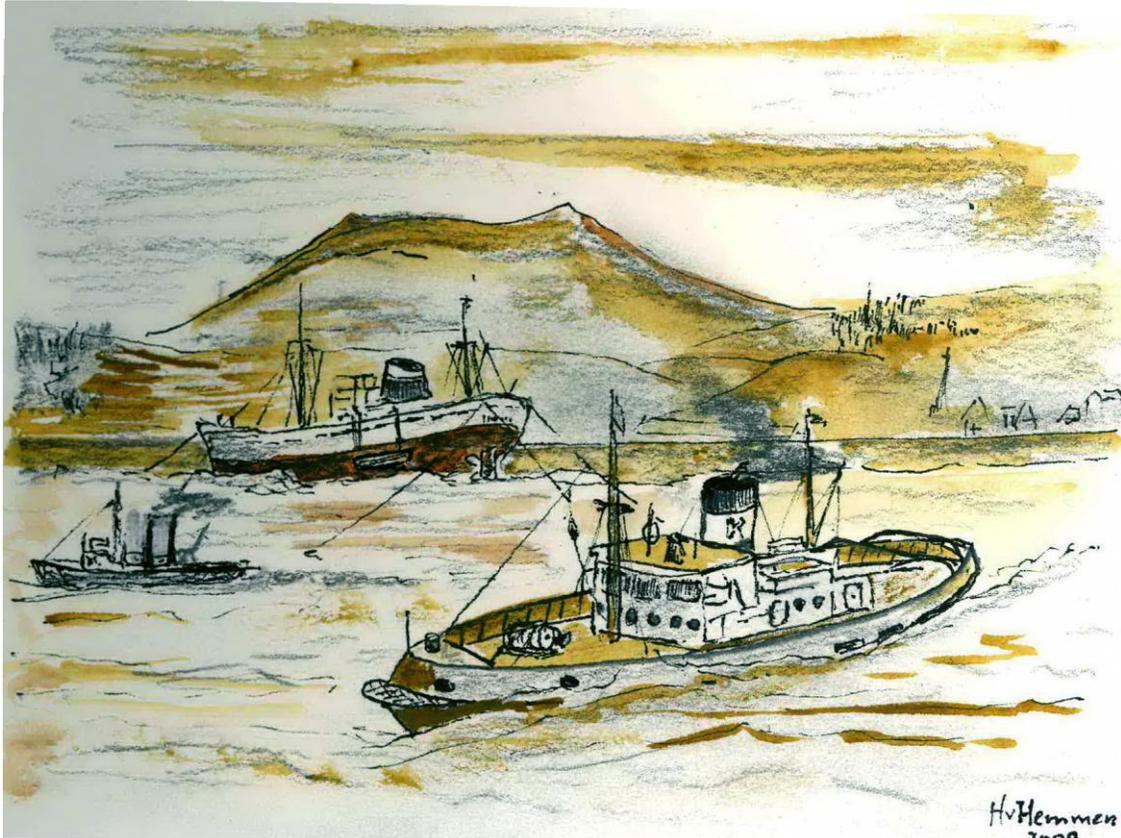
Another crew conference is scheduled in Vladivostok, Russia on November 18 & 19, 2009.

The above presentations are part of the MOVH&D Continued Education Programme on maritime related issues that are presented by MOVH&D.

If you require any further information as to other topics covered please contact Pierce or Jim at [ppower@martinottaway.com](mailto:ppower@martinottaway.com) or [jdolan@martinottaway.com](mailto:jdolan@martinottaway.com).

*Pierce N. Power*





*A grounding can spoil a Captain's day.  
(efforts to refloat)*

## “Waterpod”

The widely recognized New York City Waterpod project, conceived by artist Mary Mattingly, and supported by the City of New York, studies sustainability, the interaction of man, machine and the environment and artistic activity as related to local community and survival. Martin, Ottaway provides pro bono engineering support to this project.



At first glance this project may look like a pile of garbage on a Weeks barge but in reality the barge provides a self sustained habitat for four New York area artists. Under the superstructure made from recycled materials, there is much advanced technology including solar panels, windmills, LED lighting, XO computers, rain water collection and purification, grey water recycling, hydroponic food production and even chickens.

Martin & Ottaway as well as many of our friends in New York City Harbor such as Blank Rome, Weeks, Miller Launch and GMD shipyards have pitched in to make this project a reality. Being City supported (but unfortunately not City funded) the vessel had to conform to all the city and USCG regulations, which turned out to be a very complex process, but was excellently guided by enthusiastic USCG support. For more information go to:

<http://www.thewaterpod.org>

*Rik van Hemmen*

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