

## At Sea –Day 60 Nov. 25:

The day started with calm sea and overcast sky. Barbara went to the Good Morning Amsterdam TV show at 9am.

Mark, the assistant cruise director joined Gene and Adele in conducting this morning's session, as shown on the right.



The big topic of conversation this morning was the upcoming visit of King Neptune tomorrow. It is expected that he will vent his anger on the poor pollywogs who are the folks who have never

crossed the equator before. It turns out that Gene, our Cruise Director is a pollywog. Everyone was quivering in their boots worrying about what King Neptune would do with Gene. King Neptune is expected on board tomorrow about 10am and the Lido Pool Deck

is being prepared for his visit. Gene and Mark broke out special hats that they wanted everyone to wear tomorrow in an attempt to placate King Neptune. They put on the hats (with price tags still attached) just to show how they looked, as shown on the left. Then they passed them out to the audience so we could wear them tomorrow.



At 11am there was a special brunch sponsored by the Amsterdam for people who had sailed on Holland America ships before this cruise. We sat at a table with Ingrid, Harry and Gary whom we had not previously met. It was a pleasant meal while we got acquainted. During the brunch the Captain thanked us for our loyalty to Holland America and pledged to continue the high level of service that had won our allegiance in the first place. Ceramic Blue Delft tile coasters were given to each guest as a memento of the occasion.

At noon our ship's position was about 750 miles from Pago Pago on a line between Pago Pago, Samoa and Honolulu, Hawaii. The Captain said we were about 610 miles southwest of the nearest land which was Christmas Island.

Not much else happened during the rest of the day. The sea remained calm with a gentle breeze across the deck.

