Day 38 (Monday 10/27/08) At Sea – Indian Ocean

The day opened with temperature in the low 70s with lower humidity than yesterday so we are feeling a lot more comfortable outside than we have for the last couple weeks. The sea has some rollers so the Amsterdam is pitching just enough to remind us that we are on an ocean cruise. We are about 60 to 100 miles from the Australian coast in the Indian Ocean and the depth is on the order of 5500 feet.



We walked the Promenade deck for an hour and a half this morning and enjoyed the cool, low humidity air. We started walking about 6am and the sun was just coming up. It made for a nice picture.

John and MaryAnn (wowzo) were also walking in this invigorating morning air so we caught them in this photo.

While walking we saw a butterfly had blown in and collapsed on the wooden deck. It was surprising because we were 60 to 100 miles from any land. Below is a picture of the poor lost beast.





We spent the rest of the day reading, relaxing and writing the blog. In the afternoon, before dinner, Ray and Ann came by for some drinks. They had been on a China tour to Beijing, Great Wall and Terracota Soldiers as well as Angkor Wat in Cambodia since we had last had a chance to talk. They brought photos of the terrific tours they had taken. We took an obligatory photo of our gathering before breaking up the party for dinner.



The sea was fairly smooth as we prepared for tomorrow, our third day at sea on the way to Fremantle and Perth, Australia.