MISSISSIPPI MARITIME MUSEUM E-NEWS

PRESERVING AND PROMOTING THE MARITIME HERITAGE OF MISSISSIPPI

The Mississippi Maritime Museum Board of Directors would like to wish all our members a



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

MARITIME ACTIVITY CENTER (MAC)

Renovation work is almost completed on the Maritime Activity Center (MAC) located on 611 DuPont Ave, Pascagoula. The MAC will be used for meetings, archive storage, maritime history lectures, and classes on boat building. The Administration Committee is spearheading the outfitting effort with the goal of occupying the MAC in first quarter 2017. We have made and continue to make solid progress toward our goals and to walking through the doors of the MAC and, in the not-too-distant future, Renovating the Math and Science Building into the Mississippi Maritime Museum. To each of you members: take pride in what you're doing, and let your friends, neighbors, and co-workers know that they too can be part of our historic under-taking...and...can in the future say with pride, "I helped open that museum!"



Newsletter Spotlight

A specially appointed ad hoc committee has developed an initial set of criteria for the **Museum Director** search. The goal is to have a Director onboard on or before the end of third quarter 2017.

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MISSISSIPPI MARITIME MUSEUM CAPITAL FUNDS CAMPAIGN

Over the past ten months, the Museum has been working with First Community Development Corp. out of Atlanta, GA with a three-stage program for developing the museum's Capital Funds Campaign. Over a three month period, FCD met with 85 of our community's top leaders in Industry, Business, Non Profits, and City & County Government. During this process the MMM's Strategic Plan for the next 5 years was developed, and a resounding 99% of those 85 leaders interviewed were solidly behind the vision to establish the Mississippi Maritime Museum. Additional funds are being pursued through State, public and private funding sources, as well as the upcoming Capital Campaign — "Get on Board"...



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MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We have broken into triple digits at last, with 104 members for 2016!! Plans are underway for the 2017 General Membership Meeting, and the goal for 2017 membership is 150+. So please share news of our efforts with your family and friends, and help us grow!! November was the official start of renewal season for current members, and all new memberships received from Nov. 1st forward will apply to the 2017 calendar year.

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