

Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association, Inc.

2018 Annual Report



A 2018 milestone, the shutter plank, the last plank to complete the hull rehabilitation of *Ernestina-Morrissey* installed in October, 2018.

SEMA's Mission

The Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association, Inc. (SEMA) is a 501c(3) not-for-profit corporation with the purpose of raising funds to provide for the maintenance, equipment, manning, programming and operation of the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey as a sail training vessel, school ship, and educational enterprise.

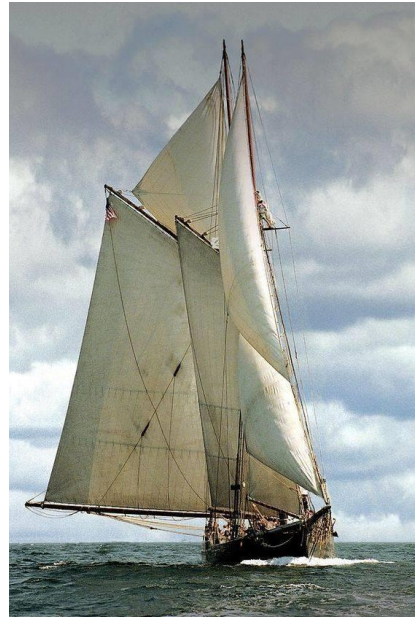
A Partnership for *Ernestina-Morrissey*

Massachusetts' Official Vessel, *Ernestina-Morrissey*, has several agencies and organizations working together to insure a great future for the vessel.

In 1994 Governor William Weld signed legislation to give the Governor-appointed **Schooner Ernestina Commission**, initially created by Governor Dukakis in 1977, the authority "to hold, administer, operate, preserve and maintain said vessel for educational or training purposes. Said vessel (Schooner *Ernestina*) shall serve as the official vessel of the Commonwealth" A state agency, now the **Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR)**, is assigned to work with the Commission " (The Commission) will work jointly with said agency so that operational and managerial responsibilities authorized and empowered to the commission herein follow state policies. "

DCR is currently administering the contract with Bristol Marine for the rehabilitation of *Ernestina-Morrissey*'s hull.

The past 25 years have brought many changes and with *Ernestina-Morrissey*'s renewal the Commonwealth is re-evaluating the best operator of the vessel. **Massachusetts Maritime Academy (MMA)** is working with DCR and Bristol Marine's Shipyard in Boothbay Harbor to plan for a vessel with multiple uses: sail-training of MMA cadets, continuing the public programming, and sailing ambassadorship for our state. As always, her homeport will be New Bedford.



The **Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association, Inc. (SEMA)** is proud to serve with these state agencies as a partner for *Ernestina-Morrissey*. SEMA is a private, fundraising, not-for-profit corporation which provides a way for private citizens and organizations to support the vessel and its work. SEMA, through our website and various media outlets, provides a conduit of information to the public about *Ernestina-Morrissey*. Our current project is raise the remaining \$xxx,xx to complete our pledge to raise \$1,000,000 toward the current Phase I rehabilitation of the vessel.



May 30, 2019

Dear Friends,

As always, I am proud to write this year's President's letter. 2018 has provided many fair winds for *Ernestina-Morrissey*. SEMA has been blessed with a successful fund-raising year having raised over \$300,000 (clear with Louise) towards our pledge of \$1,000,000. This was possible because of the broad array of support for *Ernestina-Morrissey*. The City of New Bedford's Community Preservation Grant provided \$100,000, which was matched dollar for dollar by the Manton Foundation's \$375,000 matching grant; highlighting one example of the importance of *Ernestina-Morrissey* to the city of New Bedford and the people of this region.

Fundraising has seen SEMA focus on a diverse range of outreach programs. These programs have highlighted *Ernestina-Morrissey's* history, current accomplishments and vision for her future. The response to all of this outreach has produced tremendous progress not only in fundraising support.

Phase I of *Ernestina-Morrissey's* restoration is on schedule and under budget to be completed in June of 2019. Simultaneously plans for Phase II are going forward with anticipation of a completed restoration of *Ernestina-Morrissey* in the Spring/Summer 2020. The professional workmanship is viewed as world class by experts in ship restoration.

As I have stated in the past, SEMA is proud to be supporting and participating in such a professionally breathtaking restoration of *Ernestina-Morrissey*.

On behalf of myself and our crew of *Ernestina-Morrissey* advocates, I thank you for your support and commitment to our shared goals. We would not be where we are in this project without the fiscal support of a wide and diverse community. While great progress is being made, we still have the last leg of the voyage to navigate to see the majestic *Ernestina-Morrissey* rebuilt to completion and back serving the Commonwealth as educator and ambassador.

Thank you for being a part of this remarkable voyage.

With sincere appreciation

Julius Britto

SEMA President

Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association, Inc

Treasurer's Report

Community Preservation Act Grant

On February 13, SEMA made a presentation to New Bedford Community Preservation Committee (CPC) at City Hall to support SEMA's application for CPA funds. On July 23 the New Bedford City Council approved SEMA's request for CPA funds. The funds were received in late December.

Manton Foundation

Thanks to the generosity of SEMA supporters, the Manton Challenge Grant of \$375,000, a three year, 1:1 challenge, was completed in December 2018. During 2018, SEMA received \$240,000 from the Manton Foundation.

Annual Appeal

Our friends and members continued to show their support during the 2018 Annual Appeal, Whiskey Plank and individual donations. The Annual Appeal and individual gifts were matched by the Manton Foundation, 1:1 for a total of \$90,000!

Statement of Financial Position	Dec 31, 18
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	278,497
Grant Receivable	141,625
TOTAL ASSETS	420,122
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Encumbered Funds	370,000
Total Liabilities	370,000
Equity	
Board Designated Funds	15,000
Accumulated Surplus	35,122
Total Equity	50,122
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	420,122
	1/1/18-12/31/18
Revenue	
Direct Public Support	421,845
Expense	
Administrative Expenses	5,553
Fundraising Expenses	56,948
Payments to DCR Ernestina Trust	156,630
Total Expense	219,131
	202,714

Add Lenfest dedication <https://bit.ly/2wuL4R6>

Progress in the Shipyard

The best way to depict the progress is to look at these two photos from early January 2018 and January 2019.

From Willi Bank, January 2018



Looking from the stern forward, there is temporary bracing across to stabilize the framing until the deck beams are attached to the shear shelves.

From Robert Mitchell, January 2019



In a year the deck beams and deck are in, the cabin houses are going up, quarter bits, stanchions and covering boards are in place. At the same time, interior bulkheads are going in.

For all the posts on the website check the links here:

<http://www.ernestina.org/category/committees/maintenance-and-operations-committee/page/2/>

There is more than the work on *Ernestina-Morrissey* that is new in Boothbay Harbor as 2018 begins. Andy Tyska, president of Rhode Island-based Bristol Marine, [has announced](#) the acquisition of Boothbay Harbor Shipyard, now called “The Shipyard in Boothbay Harbor”.



In February the first plank was laid on the frame.



In December the hull planking is complete and caulked.



In June, the deck framing is nearly finished.



In September the planking is nearly complete. Here, a view from the stem (bow). Credit Laura Orleans



In October the shutter plank was celebrated and by December the transom planks were complete.



Celebrating the Shutter Plank

Thank you! Whiskey Plank Club

The shutter plank has been pounded in, the *Ernestina-Morrissey's* hull is fully planked! Thank you to the Whiskey Plank Club for your support and to our sponsors for helping the crew celebrate this wonderful achievement.

It is heartening to see all the names from the generations who support *Ernestina-Morrissey*: descendants of Gloucester fishermen and Arctic explorers, generations of Cape Verdean-Americans and all the “Crew” who have loved the vessel since 1982.



SEMA President Julius Britto wields the mallet while Charter Director John Bullard tightens the clamp.

Thank you to the **Whiskey Plank Club** for your support and to our sponsors for helping the crew celebrate this wonderful achievement.

Whiskey Club Member

Dedication

	Governor Charlie Baker
	Governor Deval L. Patrick
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts
	Captain Henrique Mendes
	Captain Robert A. Bartlett
	Robert Hildreth
	H.F. "Gerry" Lenfest
Claritas Editorial	Dr. Lamar Soutter, MD
Galvin Family 1956	Vasco Nicolau Galvao - Arrived in U.S. - April 16,
Tom Lopes Community Sculpture Fund	Thomas D. Lopes
Galvin Family	Manuel R. Andrade
New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus	New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus
Attentive Homecare	John & Lena Britto
Attentive Homecare	Julius & Sandra Britto
Pirate Solutions	Marty Tulloch
Andrea Parrish	Andrea Parrish & Walter Weinberg married aboard 9/4/99
Barbara Angel	Jack Angel, 1931, 1932, 1933 and 1935.
McQuillan Family	Edwin J. McQuillan
Bev Forward	George Pomeroy
Bruce Coombs	Bruce Coombs
Carl Cruz	Carl J. Cruz
Catherine Dempsey	Jim Dempsey

Whiskey Club Member

Celeste Bernardo
Clem Littleton

Cora Simms
Cora Simms
David Eatough
David Kaye
David Nutt
David & Elly Rubin
David and Lynda Langdon
Dean Williams
Dean Williams
Derek Stevens
E. Veronica Wilcox

E. Veronica Wilcox
Edward Roberts
Eugene Monteiro
Faye Rees
George Castelle
George Morrissey
George Rockwood
Heather Cabral
Helenka and Robert Nolan
Henrietta Semedo
Hugh Cadzow
Jacob Foster
Janet Kelly

Dedication

Celeste Bernardo
Fred C N Littleton - Honorary Captain & Bartlett
Boy 1940

William 'Billy the Cook' Pritchard
Thomas Pritchard
David L. Eatough
David H. Kaye
David Nutt
David & Elly Rubin
Dave & Lynda Langdon
Laura Williams
Dean Williams
Derek Stevens
Donald Bartlett Wilcox 1926 First Arctic voyage
sponsor: George Putnam
William Bartlett Wilcox
Job Henry Roberts
Eugene A. Monteiro
Uncle Clayt
Daphne Clarke Castelle
George Morrissey
George Rockwood
In loving memory of Francis X. Cabral 1948-2013
The Robert and Helenka Nolan Family
Henrietta Lopes Semedo/Kenneth Semedo
Dr. Donald A Cadzow
Jake Foster
Paul R. Kelly

Whiskey Club Member

Jean Udall Gifford
Jessica Duphily
John Baptiste
Jjohn W. Garcia III
Judy and Jeff Volpe
Kevin Manning
Kurt Voss
Laura Pires-Hester
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Laurie & John Bullard
Lorenz J. Finison
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Marc Dunn
Margot D. Stone
Maria Mendes Hendricks
Marika Moosbrugger
Mary Anne McQuillan
Matthew Stackpole
Mike and Kay Arms
Penney Morrissey Huggins
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Ramon P. Tarini
Rev. Harold Gushue Sparkes
Rick Lopes
Robert Bernert Jr

Dedication

Jean Udall Gifford
Phil Cook
John Baptiste
John W. Garcia III
Judy and Jeff Volpe
Captain Harry Ross
Kurt Voss
Laura Pires-Hester
Joao Marcellino Pires
Laurie & John Bullard
Karly Finison
Maria Finison
Carrie Finison
Corey & Kelly
Tim, Robin, Abby and Ben Shields
José “Djedje” Mendes,
Marika Moosbrugger
Fred Sterner - Mate 1995-2003
Matthew Stackpole & Martha Stackpole
Amanda Lake
Captain William Edward Morrissey
Captain Clayton Edward Morrissey
Ramon P. Tarini
Leonard & Bart Gushue 1930's
John Lopes
Bob & Leslie Bernert

Whiskey Club Member

Roland and Louise Croteau

Ruth A. Rego

Stephan Platzer

Stephen D Hopkins

Stephen H. Brown

Susan Manter

Susan McPeck

Tally Garfield

Theresa (Terri) CARDOZO

Thomas Goux

William Peterson

William Hillyard

Dedication

Roland and Louise Croteau

Captain Manny Rego

Stephan J. W. Platzer

Stephen D Hopkins

Stephen H. Brown

Wilbur B. Manter M.D. 1940

Howard "Sandy" McPeck

Alex Forbes

JOSEPH Caesar CARDOZO

Jacek and Tom, Shanteymen

Bill Peterson

William & Susan Hillyard



Eighty-six dedications inscribed on the plank.

Whiskey Plank Sponsors

Our sponsors donated libations to, as tradition holds, anoint the shutter plank. The libations represented all the parts of *Ernestina-Morrissey's* history.

Thank You!

- Gloucester's [#RyanandWood](#) Folly Cove Rum,
- Arctic Royal Crown Canadian Whiskey
- New Bedford's [#BiscaClub](#) 's Cape Verdean Grogue
- South Coast's [#BuzzardsBayBrew](#) 's Sow and Pigs.



Our Donors Make All This Possible!

Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Society

Mary Morley Crapo Hyde Eccles Fund

City of New Bedford-CPA

The Manton Foundation

Robert Hildreth

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Boston Marine Society

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Jane Kent

Joanna Bennett

John Braitmayer

Maryellen Shachoy

Peter & Jennifer Francis

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Thomas Bird

W.T. Miller II

William Underwood Jr.

Captain

Thomas & Sarah Adams

John and Laurie Bullard

Andrew & Amy Burnes

Sharon Cohen

Committee to Save the Bird Homestead

Rusty & Betsy Kellogg

New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus

Margot Stone

Paul Sydlowski

Denise Wernikoff

Margaret Xifaras

Navigator

Shirley Cabral

David C. Cameron

Bryon Crampton

Louise Croteau

Rebecca Cutting

Jim & Kathy Feeney

Marilyn Halter

Penney Huggins

Marcia & Stephen Lerner

Joe & Holly McDonough

Annie McDowell

Network for Good

Christine Parks

Bruce & Margaret Roberts

George Rockwood Jr.

Margaret Schwier

Tim & Robin Shields

Matthew & Martha Stackpole

John & Mallory Waterman

Anna Whitcomb



1895 Captain Clayton Morrissey with Thomas McManus

Explorer

Paul & Louise Anthony

R. William Blasdale

Philip Cronan

Janine da Silva

Christine Dostal

Edward Dubilo

Harold Eckert Jr

Muriel Fortes

John & Natalie Garfield Jr.

Jean Gifford

Kurt Hasselbalch

Andrew & Susan Hess

Trudy Kingery

Lees Family

Clement Littleton

Richard Lobban Jr.

Elizabeth Lockyer

Tony & Dorothy Morse

William & Lauretta O'Brien

Susan Ronstrom

Catherine Silva Walker

William & Alice Smith

Frederick Sterner

Peter & Libby Turowski

Neal Weiss



1931 Captain Robert Bartlett taking a sight off Greenland.

Shipmate

Albert Roper II

Annemarie Fredericks

Annie Parker

Bill & Judy Pittman

Boothbay Harbor Shipyard, LLC

Brian & Elaine Eatough

Carlton Macomber

Charles Mitchell

David Brownell

David Gilbertson

David Powell

Donna Perry & Gil Sachs

Dorothy Vitagliano

Edward & Judy Lund

Eric Korn

Finley Perry

George & Viola Taylor

James Soden

Janet W. Peters

Joe & Louise Andrade

John & Ann Bocon

John D. Haygood

John Drake

Jonathan & Christina Melzar

Jose Andrade

Lawrence & Sarah Brownell

Len Cabral

Lester Gammon

Lisa Goodwin

Marty & Sandra Casey

Melissa Bradley

Michael Morrissey

Michael & Kathleen Roy

Peter & Jennifer Francis

Peter & Mary Ellen Lawrence

Peter MacLearn

Polly & Lee Gardner

Ramon & Rosalie Tarini

Robert & Judith Rosbe

Robert & Judith Sterns

Robert Montgomery



Shipmates on the return voyage in 1982 bringing the gift of *Ernestina*, ex *Effie M. Morrissey*, to the people of the United States.

Shipmate

Ronald & Cheryl Locke

Shirronda Almeida

Stephan & Linda Platzer

Stephen Swift

Stephen Thompson

Mitchell Towing and Salvage Co.

Vinton Thompson

Virginia Jones

Walter & Barbara Skinner

Wendy Sinton

Dorymate

Alan Dane

Albertina Mendes

Amanda Woods

Amazon Smile

Anna Cohen-Cole

Anonymous

Anthony & Virginia Lopes

Bob & Linda Henry

Chester & Anthea Brigham

Dan & Kate Tardiff

Daniel Powers

Daniel Rodrigues

Dorymate

David & Marilyn Malchman

David Bellows

David Blatt

Edward Jackson

Edward Lee

Elizabeth Renfree

Fred & Barbara Belanger

George Conant

Gunnar & Martha Berg

Hugh Cadzow

Jacek & Margaret Sulanowski

Jacob Neilsen

Jeffrey Cronin

Jeffrey Karl Kern

Joan Bartram

John & Dee Dee Bentley

John & Diana Belbruno

John Wiberg

John Zakian

Ken Lipman

Kurt Voss

Lois Ashley

Lucy Alexandria Bly

Luzo Auto Body

Marilyn Gonsalves

Mark Sargent

Martha Marie Fuller

Michael O'Neill



Doryman on the Grand Banks

Dorymate

Paul & Judy Paskiewicz
Paul Brenckle
Phoebe Chardon
Richard Chiriboga
Richard Hamilton
Rick & Jean Cole
Robert & June Chapin
Robert Dunn
Robert Ferguson
Ronald Gonzalez
Sam Powell
Scott Cann
Sophia Morse
Steven & Ruthann Baker
Theophilo & Carol Fortes
Thomas Lopes
Troy Barboza
Vernon Penner
Will Gardner
William & Judith Bryant



Students rowing dories in New Bedford Harbor, 1997.

**Thank you ALL for working toward
a terrific future for *Ernestina-Morrissey*!**



Outreach Activity

SEMA has acted as a “public face” for Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey while she is at Bristol Marine’s Shipyard in Boothbay Harbor.

2018 Outreach Events included:

- AHA! “Stories”, 2/8 New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park (NBWNHP) “What will be the rest of *Ernestina-Morrissey’s* story?” with Artist in Residence, and cake!
- Booth at R&W Rope “RopeFest” April 28
- AHA! LAUNCH! NBWNHP June 14 (SEMA) “Progress in Shipyard” Presentation 6 pm
- Windjammer Days Boothbay Harbor June 25 Reception at Shipyard 4 pm (Mary Anne)
- New Bedford Harbor Sea Shanty Chorus (NBHSSC), Folk Festival July 7
- Cape Verdean Recognition Parade July 7 (Derek)
- New Bedford Harbor Sea Shanty Chorus NBHSSC, AHA! 8/9 evening
- Gloucester Schooner Festival, September 2 (SEMA)
- New Bedford Harbor Sea Shanty Chorus NBHSSC, Upper William Street Festival, September 15
- The Mattapoisett Historical Society, “Progress in Shipyard” Robin Shields Presentation 6:30 pm, September 27, 2018
- New Bedford Harbor Sea Shanty Chorus NBHSSC, Duxbury Maritime Festival, October 13
- Bird Homestead & Meeting House Conservancy Presentation by Matthew Stackpole, Rye NY October 20
- “Holiday Stroll” December 1&2, 2018 New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center.



Other Activity:

- SEMA worked with Rick Lopes as he produces “*Sails Over Ice and Seas: The Life and Times of Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey*” with the generous support from several institutions and individuals, particularly Gerry and Marguerite Lenfest thought a grant to the National Maritime Historical Society.
- Work with Randy Peffer producing E-M history article for *WoodenBoat Magazine*.
- 12 Email Updates through SEMA Constant Contact
- Active pages on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- Updates in “Sea History” and “Marlinspike” magazine.

2018 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- | AHA! New Bedford!
- | Bird Homestead & Meeting House Conservancy
- | Bristol Marine Shipyard in Boothbay Harbor
- | Bisca Tournament Club, New Bedford
- | Buzzards Bay Brewing
- | Cape Verdean Association in New Bedford
- | Cape Verdean Recognition Committee, Inc.
- | Community Foundation of SE Massachusetts
- | Duxbury Maritime Festival
- | Essex Shipbuilding Museum
- | Gloucester Maritime/Gloucester Schooner Festival
- | Marlinspike Magazine
- | Massachusetts Maritime Academy
- | Mattapoisett Historical Society
- | National Maritime Historical Society
- | New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center
- | New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus
- | New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park
- | New Bedford Whaling Museum
- | New Bedford Folk Festival
- | Onset Cape Verdean Festival Association
- | R&W Rope
- | Ryan & Wood Distilleries
- | Umbrella Works Design Studio
- | Upper William Street Festival
- | Windjammer Days in Boothbay Harbor