Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association

2016 Annual Report

Rehabilitation
of the Official Vessel of Massachusetts
Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association, Inc.
2016
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Dear Friends,

The purpose of the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association is to raise funds for the ship, Ernestina-Morrissey. While that may not sound very exciting, in 2016, the fruits of SEMA’s labor have been realized in the most amazing of ways. In the pages of this report, you will see what the funds—donated by so many of you—are accomplishing. It is a story best told in pictures: the carving of live oaks, the perfect fitting of the frame, the detailed finishes that make a wooden ship work smoothly, in total, the resurrection of a truly majestic being – our Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey.

As we look back on nine years of SEMA’s existence, what has occurred is nothing short of inspirational—and that is because of you. Hundreds of volunteers have come forward to help in a myriad of ways – from stuffing envelopes, to spreading information at festivals, to preparing the ship for the winter months. Hundreds have also donated their personal resources, sharing in a communal dream that this ship meant more than her wooden planks and canvas sails. She carries a history — of Gloucester fisherman, Arctic explorers, Cape Verdean immigrants and South Coast educators and students — that we would not let rot and sink at the dock. We would give our time and our treasure to ensure that her legacy continues.

I look forward to the day, only two short years away, when we will see her sailing into Buzzards Bay, as I did as a young man in Praia Harbor in Cape Verde. Thank you for believing that the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey was worth fighting for, and thank you for persevering over nearly a decade to resurrect her.

I’m so proud that we will honor the cultural significance of this ship and be able to share her story with many more generations of explorers. I can’t wait to bear witness to the next leg of her journey along with you...I can only imagine what she has in store for us!

With much gratitude,

Julius Britto
President
2016 has been an extraordinary year in the life of Ernestina-Morrissey. Her rehabilitation is well underway at Boothbay Harbor Shipyard. This work, directed by the Massachusetts DCR, would not have been possible without your support. We think the story is best told in pictures:

Danish oak and Georgian live oak for Ernestina-Morrissey’s rehabilitation

The larger frames are assembled close to their place in the ship’s structure. This frame will be at the break in the deck, about mid-ship.

The futtocks are joined into the double-sawn frame and will be fastened with trunnels.

One of the starboard frames ready to position, notice the tenon that will be inserted into the mortise.

The framing of the new transom.

Ready for the last two cant frames.

The inside view looking from the transom: David is working on the sternpost, the rudderpost, painted gray is to his right.

Drilling pilot holes for silicon-bronze bolts.

Looking forward from the transom at the level of the weather deck.
VOLUNTEERS

As an entirely volunteer-run organization, these generous people are the wind in SEMA’s sails.
Thank you to all those who gave of their time in 2016.

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Paul & Louise Anthony
Philip Arcouette
David Arnold
Bob Bailey
Capt. Willi Bank
Jim Bean
Jim Beardsley
Denise Berkley
Don Boger
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Chuck Smiler
Matthew Stackpole
Fred Sterner
Derek Stevens
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Niko Tarini
Vi Taylor
Peter Turowski
William Underwood
Gerald Vinci
Jo Walters
Polly Zajac

New Bedford Cape Verdean Parade Participants

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FY2016

Individual Contributions $47,204.38
Investment Income $345.11
Direct Public Grants $53,152.80
Total Receipts $100,702.29

Fundraising Expenses $36,693.87
Administrative Expenses $8,993.71
Total Disbursements $45,687.58

Ending Net Income $55,014.71
2016 Individual Supporters

Second Century Club
Gifts of $1,000+
Julius & Sandra Britto
Greg & Lisa Hanson
Richard Armstrong
Charles & Christina Bascom
Thomas Bird
Roland & Louise Croteau
Vasco & Clara Pires
William Underwood, Jr.

Captains
Gifts of $500 to $999
Bettina Borders & Victor Mailey
Brewer Banner Designs
Richard & Elinor Gentilman
Jane Kent
Mary Anne McQuillan
New Bedford Harbor
Sea Chantey Chorus
Laura Pires-Hester
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Navigators
Gifts of $250 to $499
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Gifts of $125 to $249
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Kurt Hasselbalch
David & Lynda Langdon
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George M. Morrissey
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Razoo Foundation
Rivard Company
George Rockwood, Jr.
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Shipmates
Gifts of $60 to $124
Jonathan Armstrong
Arthur Moniz Gallery
David Bellows
Celeste Bernardo
John & Ann Bocon
Boothbay Harbor Windjammer
Days
Melissa Bradley
Wayne & Kimberly Braley
Stephen Brown
Jon & Katy Burt
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Philip Cronan
Martha Curtis
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Janine da Silva
Katherine Doherty

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Gifts under $60
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George Dow
Harold Eckert, Jr.
Robert Ferguson
Muriel Fortes
Theophilo & Carol Fortes
Alan Gambrell
Polly & Lee Gardner
George Gebelein
Lawrence Hall
William Harmon
Jonathan Howard
Edward Jackson
Barbara Jasmin
Jim & Emily Johns
Virginia Jones
Dan & Kathy Kahn
Richard Lobban, Jr.
Ronald & Cheryl Locke
Elizabeth Lockyer
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Carlton Macomber
Jonathan & Christina Melzar
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Robert Montgomery
Michael (Quincy) Morrissey
Sophia Morse
My Small Boats
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David O’Hara
Paul & Judy Paskiewicz
Finley Perry
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Mary Rodrigues
Jane Shute
Robert & Judith Sterns
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MISSION

The purpose of the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey Association, Inc. is to raise funds to provide for the maintenance, equipment, manning, programming and operation of the Schooner Ernestina ex Effie M. Morrissey as a sail training vessel, school ship, and educational enterprise.