After a five-year restoration, the *Charles W. Morgan* will depart Mystic Seaport to begin her 38th Voyage on Saturday, May 17 at 9:15 a.m. The ship will travel to New London, the first stop on what will be a nearly three-month journey to historic ports in New England. Please find below the scheduled timeline for the departure of the *Charles W. Morgan* on May 17:

- 8:15 a.m. Gates open to visitors
- 8:45 a.m. Farewell Ceremony in the Shipyard
- 9:15 a.m. The *Morgan* casts off the dock (timed with the 9:40 a.m. Highway Bridge, 10:04 a.m. Train bridge, and high tide)
- The *Morgan* will be escorted by tug for the complete trip
- The *Morgan* will also be accompanied by multiple support and other vessels (some down river only, others all the way to New London):
  - The Stonington Fireboat
  - The Charles W. Morgan and tug
  - Whaleboats rowing
o Steamboat Sabino
o Launch Necessity
o Fishing vessel Roann
o Other privately owned vessels

● The Morgan is expected to arrive at the New London City Pier between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Please note: Timing of the ship’s departure is subject to change due to inclement weather or other unexpected situations. If the Charles W. Morgan cannot depart at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, the departure will be postponed to Sunday, May 18 with the farewell ceremony beginning at 9:30 a.m. and the Morgan casting off at 10 a.m. Please check the Museum’s website for updates on departure plans and other news about the 38th Voyage.

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Photo of the Week

![Photo: Andy Price](image)

Finishing touches
Photo: Andy Price

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The Board of Trustees of the USS Constitution Museum has selected the Charles W. Morgan Restoration Team to receive the 2014 Don Turner Award.

This award is given annually by the Museum to honor Don Turner, the former Supervisor of Maintenance for “Old Ironsides,” whose love of this national treasure and knowledge of wooden vessels and construction techniques are legendary. The award recognizes a person or team of people, professional or amateur, who have contributed significantly to efforts to preserve important vessels or who have made significant contributions to our knowledge and understanding of ship design and construction.

The large team of talented Mystic Seaport staff, including shipyard staff, content and context keepers, communicators, educators, fund raisers, and institutional leadership working with outside advisors worked collaboratively to restore the Charles W. Morgan, the oldest American merchant vessel afloat. The end result of this work is not only the preservation of an important piece of our maritime past, but also the opportunity to see her sail again. This is a remarkable achievement that we all look forward to this summer.

We take great pleasure in recognizing the Restoration Team’s devotion to the sea and for the many contributions they have made to our nation’s maritime heritage.

Note: The Award will be presented on July 21, 2014 in Boston (1 year from the date of the Morgan launch last summer and 173 years from the date of her first launch.)

- USS Constitution Museum
Photo: Dennis Murphy

38th Voyage In the News

News about the Charles W. Morgan’s restoration and upcoming 38th Voyage was featured prominently in the media this past week. In case you missed it, here are links to some highlights:
The latest video installment in our new Sea History Alive campaign was posted on Thursday morning. This week we featured the Figureheads, with Fred Calabretta describing the significance of the collection: http://stories.mysticseaport.org/figureheads/.

As always, those of you engaged in social media are encouraged to post and share with your friends to help amplify the message.

- Dan McFadden
Many, many thanks to all staff, volunteers and project leaders for helping to make our Spring PILOTS Weekend a grand success. From the CRC to Brilliant Dock to the Shipyard, Mystic Seaport was abuzz with enthusiastic and energetic PILOTS working hard and accomplishing important work. The PILOTS could not have prospered over the past four decades without the support of the talented and dedicated people of Mystic Seaport. Please accept a special thank you from the PILOTS corps for all that you do, day in and day out to ensure the success of Mystic Seaport.

- EveAnne Stouch

A Banner Day for the Community Sailing Program

On Thursday, May 15 we learned that our Community Sailing program at Mystic Seaport has been approved as an Accredited US Sailing Community Sailing Center by US Sailing. They noted that our application “…showed a strong commitment to safety and high caliber education.” US Sailing’s Community Sailing Sanctioning Program (accreditation) identifies those programs that are offering the highest level of boating education and public access. This is an important designation and recognizes our program as one of the best in the country. A special thanks to Brooks Saglio for completing the application process.

Last fall some generous donors at the annual gala raised enough money for the Community Sailing program to purchase 12 new JY15 sailboats. Our existing fleet is old and fairly worn out, so the timing of the new boats is perfect. They arrived by truck on May 15 from Flint, MI (built by Nickels Boat Works), and were off-loaded in the parking lot behind Exhibits by several staff members. A special thank you to Brooks Saglio, Brian Koehler, Andrew Houlihan, Andrew Tobin, Rebecca Shea, Andy Strode, Bryan Banning, John Crane, and Josh Barrett for their help in off-loading the boats! Another thank you to Hallie Payne for working closely with Nickels Boat Works to get them made correctly and on time. Finally, a big thank you to Advancement and our donors who made it all possible.

-Sarah Cahill

Thank you....
The Exhibits Department extends a special thank you to a dedicated group of volunteers who went above and beyond for the 38th Voyage of the Morgan.

As part of the Dockside exhibit “What Bubbles up?” we needed 52,000 printed, paper bubbles and 52,000 jumbo paper clips joined together. Volunteer services found the perfect team for the job, “Howard's Ladies” (and Gentlemen), alias the Mail team. They sat together for four or more weekly sessions joining paper clip to bubble, also taking the work home to finish.

There were also two 16’ Chicken wire whales were made to hang the bubbles on. Volunteers John Gilbert and Bill Salancy led the chicken wire brigade with nimble fingers, stitching together the many layers of wire mesh.

-Arlene Andersen

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Homegrown Pumpkins for Trick-or-Treat

Are you interested in growing a few pumpkins to help Membership put on the Trick-or-Treat program for young kids next fall? It’s getting increasingly difficult to get the 40 or so we need, so we are hoping that staff and volunteers will step up and offer to plant some seeds, which will hopefully grow into pumpkins, which we will carve on October 30! There will be a prize for the biggest pumpkin, and of course, you get to take your pumpkin home after the event on Halloween. Facilities has kindly given us seeds for CT Field Pumpkins, so come by Membership to get your seeds and plant them in the ground! Good luck to all.

-Membership Office

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A Fond Farewell

The Advancement Department announces that Dana Green has resigned to relocate to Boston and her last day will be on June 6. Dana has been a valued member of the Advancement Department since returning to Mystic Seaport in 2010. The Advancement Team and everyone at Mystic Seaport wish Dana and Emi the best as they embark on their new adventure in Boston.

-Elisabeth Saxe
Weight Watchers at Work

We are looking to see how many people would be interested for signing up for Weight Watchers at work; this would be a program that is offered at a discounted rate to staff and volunteers interested in participating. We will need a minimum of 15 participants to sign up to get the discount for a 12 week program at $165 per person. Weight Watchers representatives would designate a time to come to our location during the work day to hold meetings; they can be flexible with their scheduling. Please email human.resources@mysticseaport.org if you are interested in participating in this program. The amount of responses will dictate whether or not we can set this up.

-Jeanne Gade

Goodbye Party

Please join us in celebrating Rhoda Hopkins Root and Karin Soderberg in a farewell party on May 22 from 4-5:30 p.m. in the Membership Patio.

-Alex Alpert

From the Office of Volunteer Services

First Thursday Lecture Series: The First Thursday Lecture series continues on June 5 when Morgan authority Steve Purdy returns to the podium to offer an update on the current status of the Charles W. Morgan upon the event of her 38th Voyage. Combining her illustrious past within the whaling industry, Steve will dwell upon all facets of the Morgan period in American industrial history. Coffee and donuts will be served at 8:30 in the morning on the third floor of the Stillman Building, with the presentation to follow at 9 a.m. Staff and volunteers are warmly welcomed, but please call ahead ext. 5378 to assure your place.

The Noyes Volunteer of the Year Award: Many thanks to all staff and management who responded to the request from volunteer services and sent in their nominations for the William C. Noyes Volunteer of the Year Award. The selfless work offered by the corps of volunteers warrants great respect, and what better way to show it than by this award. The nominations reflect a cross section of these tireless folks whose assistance makes the work of staff a little lighter. Deadline for nominations and letters of support is Friday, May 23 at the Office of Volunteer services. The Noyes award winner will be announced at the annual Celebration of Volunteers, this year on Wednesday, July 30.

Keep your calls coming to Karen Bigger in the Volunteer Office at ext. 5378: She is coordinating volunteers who will represent Mystic Seaport at the various Ports of Call of the Charles W. Morgan as she makes her way during the 38th Voyage. Volunteers are needed in Martha’s Vineyard, New Bedford, and Boston. Please call Karen to determine those locations available and the opportunities that exist.

Junior Registration and Orientation will be held Saturday, June 7, at 9 a.m. in the Campbell Room, below the Planetarium. Assignments and schedules will be given. Parents are encouraged to attend and be a part of the orientation program. Karen Bigger will be in charge, and will introduce the new Director of Volunteers, Eveanne Stouch.

-Rhoda Hopkins Root

Farewell from Rhoda

The overwhelming number of honors bestowed upon me has made my departure from Mystic Seaport even more difficult than contemplated: The Morgan Trunnel, Grace Magazine, Steve’s kind words, and now the Pilot’s “Order of the Oakum.” What matters most, however, are the numerous letters and encouraging words from individual volunteers and the warm and friendly goodbyes from fellow members of staff.
It has been 15 years of service to the Museum, first as an interpreter, then as Coordinator, and finally as Associate Director of Volunteer Services. These years have been gratifying, and have produced lasting friendships, which are bound to continue and bring everlasting joy.

EveAnne Stouch, who will assume the Associate Directorship, will bring new ideas and fresh enthusiasm to the office. She will serve the needs of the Corps of Volunteers efficiently, and with concern for the interest of each volunteer. Her fast experience in the overall operation of the Museum will serve her well.

As a final thank you and good bye, my hat goes off to Karen Bigger, that intrepid, hard-working person who for 8 years has kept the Office of Volunteer Services afloat, and functioning well. Without her able assistance, volunteer needs and concerns may have gone unheeded. The volunteer office is fortunate that she will continue in her present capacity.

And now, one last farewell, and thank you for your support, and your profound efforts on behalf of the Museum.

-Rhoda Hopkins Root

Obituaries

It is with sadness that we bid farewell to three outstanding volunteers who devoted untold hours to Mystic seaport.

Nick Philips, beloved husband to Bonnie, died in his home in Old Mystic on April 27, 2014. He was a member of the famed Gung Ho Squad at Mystic Seaport, and spent many hours in the Shipyard. He was devoted to the Museum, and was a great supporter. Nick was a member of Off Soundings, and the Ram Island Yacht Club. He will be sorely missed.

Bob La France died Friday, April 11, 2014, at Fairview. Bob was a volunteer at Mystic Seaport for many years, and a leading member of the Rock of Ages. He had a great interest in and all things of the sea. Bob’s cheerful attitude was evident in the Volunteer Office where he spent many hours tabulating volunteer times and locations. A celebration of his life will be held from 5 to 8 in the evening, at the Ram Island Yacht Club in Noank. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be directed to the Mystic Seaport 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic, Ct. 06355.

The distinguished Dorothy Agranwitch of Stonington passed away on Saturday, April 19, 2014, at the Avalon Health Center, Dorothy, known as “Toddy” had a long and venerable career in education. She volunteered in the gardens at Mystic Seaport, and was an enthusiastic supporter of the education programs at the Museum. A memorial service was held at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington on May 7. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Calvary Episcopal Church.

-Rhoda Hopkins Root

Volunteer of the Week

Trevor Hutchinson came as a junior volunteer in July, 2010, moved successfully through the junior ranks, quickly accumulating nearly 700 hours. Currently as a full-fledged volunteer, he presents himself as a mature, sedate and very competent volunteer, capable of serving in a multitude of areas. His resume at the Museum includes Winters Aweigh, Carol Sing, the car show, Coastweeks Regatta, the engine show, VRC, the WoodenBoat Show, The Parade Brigade, the Children’s Museum, Ask Me, and Pirates.

Trevor’s passion is golf, at which he excels, calling it a “head game” which he finds challenging. Over the past years he has grown in stature. His hair is short, his shirt is tucked in and his impeccable appearance qualifies him as a first-rate Museum volunteer.
Mystic Seaport appreciates Trevor’s commitment to the Museum. May he continue forever.

-Rhoda Hopkins Root

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**Employment Opportunities**

**Advancement Administrative and Events Manager**  
**Director of Major & Planned Gifts**  
**Collections Business Ships Plans Assistant**  
**Member Relations Specialist**

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**First Aid Director/Sailing Instructor**  
**Alternate Director/Sailing Instructor**  
**Office Manager/Sailing Instructor**  
**Assistant Watercraft Director/Sailing Instructor**  
**Watercraft Director/Sailing Instructor**

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**Classifieds**

**For sale:** Panasonic SA-XR57 100 watts home theater AV receiver + 2 JBL tower speakers, 2 rear speakers and one center speaker (roll of speaker wire incl.). For more details contact Connie Stein, connie.stein@mysticseaport.org

**For sale:** Refrigerator small 10 cu-ft, 2 1/2 years old, Cost $429, Sale $200, 24' W x 60" H x 27" D, Silver/gray. Call Bill Scheer: 860.536.0679.

**For rent:** Newly renovated studio apartment with sleeping loft. 2 ½ miles from Mystic Seaport. Off-street parking. $900 plus electric. Call Dan if interested: 860.859.7166.

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**Bulletin Submissions**

Please send all submissions to staffbulletin@mysticseaport.org. Deadline is end of day Wednesday. Thank you.