

December 7, 2016

Dear Sir,

Thank you Egan Maritime members, supporters, and friends. You change the lives of Nantucket's youth and inspire thousands of island residents and visitors to participate in, and celebrate, Nantucket's maritime history and traditions.

It has been an exceptional year at Egan Maritime Institute. The purpose of EMI's programs and the impact of your support have never been clearer: Transforming lives through maritime education and experiences. **One-hundred percent of your donation to Egan Maritime Institute supports our programs:** Sea of Opportunities, Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum, The Maritime Festival, ACKweather.com, and Mill Hill Press.

During 2016 we accomplished the following:

The Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum's exhibition, *Out of the Fog: Remembering the* Andrea Doria, *Tragedy & Rescue at Sea*, welcomed thousands of visitors to the museum.

The restored Monomoy-Style Surfboat, in partnership with the Nantucket Boys & Girls Club and Strong Wings, gave many island children their first recreational experience operating a boat in Nantucket waters.

Our first fundraising event at the museum raised \$90,000 net, of expenses, to support EMI's programs.

We partnered with the Nantucket Cottage Hospital to honor two current heroes and one from the distant past at the annual Lifesaver's Recognition Day Award ceremony.

Over 750 Nantucket students had hands-on educational experiences onboard the tall ship *Lynx*, with an additional 16 high school *Lynx* Scholars participating in a three-day or sevenday working sail as a member of the crew.

I hope you will consider a gift in 2016. Egan Maritime's Board of Trustees has set up a fund to match all 2016 Year-end gifts. In New gifts and all gift increases can be doubled!

The sea is an incredible part of Nantucket's culture—forever shaping and shifting the island with every receding wave. The Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum, Sea of Opportunities, and all of EMI's programs share the maritime world with the next generation of islanders while engaging visitors and residents with the heroic, selfless, and often dramatic stories of our lifesavers past and present. Thank you for your consideration.

Fair winds and following seas,

Pauline Proch Executive Director

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100% of your Year-end contribution supports Egan Maritime Institute's programs, Sea of Opportunities and the Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum.



- **3** Schools are partnered with EMI for Sea of Opportunities
- 4.5 Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum rating by TripAdvisor
- 16 Lynx Scholars participated in 3 or 7 day sails
- **64** Vendors, volunteers, and not-for-profits involved in the Maritime Festival
- **284** Students in Sea of Opportunities classrooms
- 791 Nantucket students had onboard Lynx experiences
- 1,502 Lynx participants/experiences (students and adults)
- 7,228 Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum visitors
- 13,867 ACKweather iPhone sessions





"If you want to understand the history of this magical island, you have to make a stop here.
Lovely docents who are happy to share their knowledge. Beautiful setting and fun experience."

June 2016 NSLM
Guest on TripAdvisor

"This year, on the anniversary of the sinking of the ship Andrea Doria, The Nantucket Shipwreck & Lifesaving Museum stepped up its offerings by offering a special exhibit on that fatal sinking. This is an excellent small museum telling the story of early shipwrecks and the lifesaving men of Nantucket who risked their lives to rescue crews in peril." August 2016 NSLM Guest on TripAdvisor

"Lynx means home.... I have always struggled with feelings of inadequacy and lack of self-esteem. I cried at the conclusion of the seven day journey, not only out of the sadness that it was over, but also the joy of realizing what she, the ship, had brought me, how I had grown."

7-day Lynx Scholar Reflection

Your contributions have a lasting impact with program and museum participants. Through education and experiences at sea, EMI members and supporters are transforming lives, broadening horizons, and continuing Nantucket's maritime traditions.

