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**2018 New London Maritime Society**

**ANNUAL FUND**

Dear friends and supporters, this is the most heart-felt letter I have written in the 10 years that I have been executive director of your maritime society.  I cannot thank you enough for your unwavering support.

It was touch-and-go financially this year as we finally resolved all legal issues with Harbor Lighthouse. Together we persevered *and won* - establishing the inalienable right for you and future generations to visit this historic *beloved* local landmark. In 2018 your donations allowed our programs for students and seniors to blossom. You enabled the creation of new and more-intimate opportunities to visit inside Ledge Lighthouse. And for the first time in 185 years, the custom house’s four interior gutters (in the attic) have been replaced and the roof leaks stopped!

Your generosity is what keeps us afloat. Annual Fund contributions make up 20% of the New London Maritime Society operating budget. Your gift to NLMS makes an immediate impact on our ability to enhance our educational offerings and preservation work both at the museum and out in the community.

Help us create a bright new year of adventurous programming at the Custom House. In 2019, for the first year, all three floors of the museum will be open to the public. New exhibitions – like *woolies* in 2018 – will surprise, inform and delight. If you make a gift to the annual fund, the season ahead – the maritime society’s 36th – is certain to bring new creative ways for the community to celebrate our maritime life and heritage.

Please use the envelope and give today! Checks may be made out to NLMS, 150 Bank Street, New London, CT 06320. Help us end the year on solid financial footing by donating to our Annual Fund.

With gratitude for your support, -- Susan

PS: 'How will we know it's us without our past?' --John Steinbeck.  Please brighten the new season with a gift to New London Maritime Society by December 31.

**Many thanks, and best wishes for the Holidays.**

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# You Help NLMS Programs to Thrive!



\_\_ $1,000 Whale \_\_$750 Harbor Seal \_\_$500 Oystercatcher \_\_$250 Gull \_\_$100 Scallop \_\_$50 Quahog

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