## New London Maritime Society -- 2025 ANNUAL APPEAL

Tuba-Euphonium Holiday Celebration, Sunday, December 7 at 2 PM 42<sup>nd</sup> NLMS Annual Meeting follows on December 7 at 4 PM

From all of us at the New London Maritime Society, thank you for your continued support—whether through donations, lighthouse visits, event attendance, gift shop purchases, volunteering, or reading our weekly eblasts. If you've ever wondered whether your involvement truly makes a difference, believe me, it does!

Take a moment to realize what you've built: a friendly 'treasure house' of New London's maritime history, including stewardship of the three iconic lighthouses leading to our historic harbor. Please support our 2025 Annual Appeal.

- Preservation work is ongoing at all four of our historic sites: this year we installed new railings at Race Rock; we are now planning for Phase 1 of the Custom House roof replacement in 2026.
- New London residents enjoy free admission to the Custom House Museum, while we also welcome more than 2,000 tourists each year.
- For four years New Londoners visited both Ledge Light & NL Harbor Light with subsidized \$5 tickets.
- Open Mic at the Museum has offered performance opportunities for aspiring artists for five years.
- JIBBOOM Club #1 has presented afternoon programs for seniors —complete with speakers & coffee—for 17 years.





Please consider donating to the Maritime Society using the enclosed envelope. Checks may be made payable to **NLMS**. Your gift to our Annual Fund by **December 31** will help us end the year on solid financial footing.

We also hope you'll celebrate the season with us! Join us on **Sunday, December 7 at 2 PM** for our **3rd Annual Tuba–Euphonium Holiday Celebration**—a lively, hour-long concert that was a big hit last year with four tubas and two euphoniums. The concert is free and open to the public.

After a short break to shop or grab a bite, please return to the Custom House at 4 PM for our 42nd Annual Meeting. We'll reflect on the past year and look ahead to 2026. Special guests from Christopher Kervick's New London Stories class at Mitchell College will present their semester project, 'The Wreck of the Atlantic: The Journey of a Young Survivor.' And yes—there will be cake!

We wish you and your loved ones a happy and restful holiday season.

With gratitude, -- the Team at New London Marítime Society

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