
THE SHIP'S LAMP

A PUBLICATION OF THE MICHIGAN MARITIME MUSEUM



This edition of The Ship's Lamp is your compass and chart for the season ahead. Inside, you'll find a course set for adventure, discovery, and lakeshore fun throughout the spring, summer, and fall. We look forward to welcoming you to the museum often!

Charting the Year Ahead

From The Helm

BAILEY SISoy-MOORE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Members,

Thank you—truly. Because of you, this year's **Annual Appeal** was record-breaking, **raising over \$170,000** and smashing the museum's \$100,000 goal. Your generosity has created real momentum, and it charts the course for everything we have ahead this year. Simply put, this season is powered by you.

From lectures to hands-on workshops, from fish scales to tall ships, we are diving into a season full of fun, discovery, and meaningful learning. Whether you've been loyally visiting us for years or are just finding your way back to campus, there is something new waiting for you around every corner.

We are proud to introduce two new interactive experiences—the **Gary J. Horton Memorial Viewers**—located on the second-floor balcony of the Heritage Center and at the tip of Bosgraaf Point. These viewers invite you to see the harbor in a whole new way: spot history, trace the shoreline, and enjoy a bit of I-Spy as you connect with South Haven's maritime story.

We are also unveiling the reinstallation of the **1990s Rockaway Shipwreck Exhibit** in the Cottage Home Conference and Exhibit Space. Now thoughtfully rehung, this exhibit sits in view of the *Wilhelm Baum*—the very vessel that played a role in the discovery and charting of the *Rockaway* wreck—bringing past and present into powerful conversation.

Opening May 22, *Working the Water: Commercial Fishing on Lake Michigan* will debut in the Harris Commercial Fishing Building. This interactive exhibit is packed with artifacts, tools of the trade, and stories that honor the hardworking individuals who built a life on the water. For some added fun on the harbor, that historic fish window—once serving fresh and smoked catch straight from the Fishery—will be open once again. Stop by to grab ice cream and snacks from our dockhands—100% of profits support the restoration and maintenance of our historic fleet.

Launching June 20, the Ruth Wiser Innovation Portal takes us worldwide! This new digital initiative expands the museum beyond our campus, delivering maritime education, stories, and classroom-ready content to learners across the state and beyond. Thanks to a partnership with Lawrence Technological University student filmmakers, the Portal features dynamic video “portals” designed for classroom use—bringing Michigan's inland waterways and the Great Lakes to life in engaging, accessible ways. Designed to connect students, teachers, and curious minds to these waterways in new and meaningful ways, the Portal allows us to share our mission far beyond South Haven. We'll celebrate this exciting launch with our first-ever Plastic Boat Regatta—open to both adults and kids. Build your own vessel, test your design, and join us for a day of creativity, competition, and fun.

Our youngest mariners have plenty to discover as well. **P.I.R.A.T.E. Camp** is a brand new offering this summer—standing for Play, Imagine, Research, Adventure, Think, and Explore. Offered in two sessions, this immersive day camp program invites kids to dive into maritime history, ecology, and teamwork through hands-on learning and creative exploration. Scholarships are available to ensure every young explorer has the chance to take part.

Drop in fun is overflowing this summer, making membership a great bang for your entertainment bucks. **The Jerry Mason Learning Center** is buzzing each week with programs like Maritime Makers, Fish Tales Story Time, and Great Lakes Learners—inviting guests of all ages to create, explore, and discover; no need to pre-register, just drop in.

Of course, the best way to experience maritime history is to get out on the water yourself.

Climb aboard **Merry Time, our 1929 Chris-Craft**, for a 30-minute ride on the Black River and Lake Michigan. With space for up to four guests, you'll feel the power and elegance of the golden age of wooden speedboats.

Join **Friends Good Will** for a daytime or sunset sail—or, if you're feeling adventurous (and are over the age of four), step into our **new Pirate Chaser sail**. Work alongside the captain and crew to track down pirates, recover the museum's stolen treasure, and earn your reward.

Step into history aboard **USCG Motor Lifeboat 36460**, the vessel made famous by *The Finest Hours*, and experience the legacy of the greatest small craft rescue in U.S. Coast Guard history.

Or, if a slower pace is calling your name, relax and enjoy a peaceful cruise along the river aboard **Lindy Lou, our beloved river launch**.

Our lecture series is also expanding its reach. All lectures are now offered both in person and virtually, so whether you're here on campus or joining us from your home port, you can stay connected to the stories and scholarship that bring our mission to life.

This is a season built for exploration—for learning, for laughter, and for making memories on the water and along our shoreline. Your support makes all of this possible, and we are honored to have you as part of this community.

With appreciation,



Bailey Sisoy-Moore
Executive Director
Michigan Maritime Museum

TOGETHER WITH THE DEDICATED CREW OF THE MICHIGAN MARITIME MUSEUM—OUR STAFF AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS ALIKE—WE WARMLY INVITE YOU TO COME ASHORE, STEP ABOARD, AND SET SAIL WITH US THIS SEASON.



Brent Paige
Deputy Director



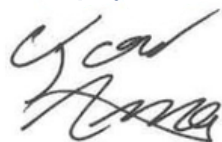
Captain Bob Harnish
Captain of the Fleet



Sara Schultz
Head of Education



Chelsea Bailey
Sr. Museum Administrator



Joel Ames
Facilities Coordinator



Violet Rollins
Education Associate



Gaye Blind
Education Associate



Charlize Pate
Executive Assistant



Trudie Dose
Guest Services Lead



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1 MAY MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE BEGINS	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 MOTHER'S DAY MAKE- AND-TAKE ACTIVITY 10 AM-2 PM IN JMLC	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			22 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 3-4:30 PM BLESSING OF THE FLEET 5-5:30 PM FISH FRY 5-7:30 PM OPENING OF COMMERCIAL FISHING EXHIBIT, HORTON MEMORIAL VIEWERS, & DOCK HAND ICE CREAM		23	24
18	19	20			21	23 SAILING SEASON BEGINS!
25 MEMORIAL DAY	26 DUGOUT EXHIBIT OPENS	27 MMM LECTURE SERIES: UNRAVELING THE MYSTERIES OF A MICHIGAN DUGOUT CANOE 6:30-7:30 PM VIRTUAL & IN PERSON	28	29	30	31 MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE WINNERS CHOSEN

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TICKETS.



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May 22nd, 2026 at 3:00 PM

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING!

FOLLOWED BY THE BLESSING OF THE FLEET AND FISH FRY

Curious about the museum's plans, what's ahead, and what we've been working on? Members are invited to join us at the Annual Meeting in the R.B. Annis, where our board of directors, staff, and members come together to launch the summer season.

Childcare will be available in the Jerry Mason Learning Center for children ages 6 and up and is reserved for those attending the meeting. Children will enjoy supervised activities, including make-and-take crafts. Younger children are absolutely welcome, but must have an adult remain with them in the Jerry Mason Learning Center.

Pursuant to the Museum's bylaws, the following notices are provided to the membership in advance of the 2026 Annual Meeting:

The following amendment to the bylaws is proposed by the Board of Directors. If approved, it would allow for the seating of two non-voting Junior Board Members beginning in 2027.

Article V – Board of Directors Section 12. Junior Board Members

The Board may appoint up to two (2) Junior Board Members who are emerging leaders at an early stage in their professional or academic careers.

Junior Board Members shall not be counted toward the establishment of a quorum and shall not possess voting rights or rights to access knowledge on matters involving legal authority, fiduciary responsibility, financial oversight, or governance.

The purpose of the Junior Board Members is to provide a young adult perspective to the Board, assist in community outreach and engagement, and cultivate leadership development under the mentorship of the Board of Directors.

Junior Board Members shall be appointed for a one-year term and may be renewed for up to three (3) additional one-year terms. Candidates shall be selected through the Nominations Committee following an application and interview process.

Junior Board Members are expected to attend at least five (5) Board meetings annually (virtually or in person) and participate in a minimum of two (2) volunteer or Museum-sponsored activities per year, with a total of no less than twenty-five (25) volunteer hours completed annually.

THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES ARE SUBMITTED FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL TO BE SEATED AS BOARD MEMBERS IN 2026, EACH TO SERVE A THREE-YEAR TERM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MUSEUM'S BYLAWS.



MIKE SMITH

Michael L. Smith served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Anthem, Inc. and its subsidiaries, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, from April 1999 until his retirement in January 2005. He joined Anthem in 1996 as Chief Operating Officer of its subsidiary, American Health Network.

Prior to joining Anthem, Mike was Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Mayflower Group, Inc. from 1989 to 1995. Mayflower operated a worldwide relocation service and provided school and public passenger transportation across 30 states. He held various other management positions at Mayflower from 1974 to 1989.

Mike began his business career in the Indianapolis office of Arthur Andersen & Co. following his graduation from DePauw University in 1970. Throughout his career, Mike has served on the boards of several public companies. He retired in June 2025 as Chairman of LDI Ltd., LLC. He currently serves as a director of Penske Entertainment, the INDYCAR racing series, and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

He is also actively involved in nonprofit leadership, serving on the Board of Trustees for DePauw University, Riley Children's Foundation, Christian Theological Seminary, and Shepherd Community Center. He is the founder and active leader of Faith & Action and Thriving Families, two programs dedicated to helping families break the cycle of poverty in Indianapolis.

In addition, Mike is a founding member and advisor to Cardinal Equity Fund, a mid-market private equity fund headquartered in Indianapolis. Mike and his wife, Sue, reside in Indianapolis and have spent their summers in South Haven since 2003. They have two children and nine grandchildren.



JODI CLOCK

Jodi M. Clock is an internationally recognized speaker and organizational strategist dedicated to helping families navigate the complexities of legacy planning and elder care. With a Master's degree in Organizational Development, Jodi brings a unique blend of strategic precision and in-the-trenches experience to an industry that often feels overwhelming to consumers.

Since 1988, Jodi has been a trusted voice in end-of-life planning, working within both corporate structures and her husband's multigenerational funeral home. Having witnessed firsthand the financial and emotional toll that confusion can take on families, she has built her career around delivering straightforward, practical guidance—cutting through misinformation with clarity and honesty. Her mission is to help families protect their hard-earned assets and avoid common pitfalls related to Medicaid qualification and end-of-life preparation.

Jodi doesn't just advise—she operates.

Alongside her husband and her son, Brett, she manages both human and pet crematories, ensuring that every detail of the legacy process is handled with professionalism and care.

Beyond her professional work, Jodi is a self-proclaimed music and concert enthusiast who thrives on the energy of live performances. A devoted animal advocate and proud "foster failure," she is known for opening her home to pets in need. This combination of academic insight, business acumen, and genuine compassion makes Jodi a relatable leader and a powerful advocate for the families she serves.



KEVIN WALSH

Kevin Walsh is Professor and Director of Film, Video, and Television at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Michigan. He holds an M.A. in English from Oakland University and a B.A. in English from the University of Notre Dame.

A secondary educator for 28 years, Kevin taught language arts and video production in Royal Oak, West Bloomfield, and Southfield Public Schools. He also served as Humanities Chair at the University of Phoenix's Detroit campus and as Director of Marketing and Enrollment at the Motion Picture Institute in Troy.

In 2006, he was named Michigan's Film & Video Teacher of the Year. His textbook, Video Direct (2006), is used by secondary media programs in over 40 states.

His company, MMD Productions, specializes in videography, photography, and live streaming, serving clients across theater, education, industry, and nonprofit sectors.

Kevin serves as a board officer and festival director for the Michigan Student Film Festival—the longest-running student film festival in the country—and is a longtime auxiliary board member of the Detroit Institute of Arts' Detroit Film Theatre.

He is the creator and producer of the 18-episode documentary series Digging Detroit, featured on television and in exhibits at the Detroit Public Library and museums across the region. Since 2022, he has also worked as an event coordinator, media producer, and tour guide for Detroit History Tours.

Kevin and his wife, Patrice, live in Royal Oak, Michigan, and enjoy time with their grown children, Aidan and Abby.



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1 JUNE MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE BEGINS	2	3	4	5	6 FREE FUN FEST 11AM-3PM (DETAILS ON INSIDE BACK COVER)	7
8	9	10 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	11 FREE FOR MMM MEMBERS - FROM FOREST TO SHORE, COMMERCIAL FISHING AT THE KALAMAZOO NATURE CENTER 6:30-8 PM	12 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC MARITIME BINGO FOR BOOKS 3-4:30 PM IN R.B. ANNIS	13 GREAT LAKES LEARNERS- PLASTIC BOTTLE BOAT BUILDING 10:30-11:30 AM & 1:30-2:30 PM	14
15	16	17 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	18  LAUNCH DATE!	19 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC JUNETEENTH NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY	20 RUTH WISER PLASTIC BOAT REGATTA KID'S COMPETITION: 1PM-2PM ADULT COMPETITION: 3:30 PM-5 PM	21
22	23 MMM LECTURE SERIES: IRON ORE TRIMMERS WARS ON THE UPPER GREAT LAKES 6-7:30 PM	24 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM UNDER THE RUTH WISER DISCOVER TENT	25 KEEL CLUB MEMBER- ONLY EVENT: PARTY AT THE O'NIEL'S HOUSE	26	27 PRESENTATION: MICHIGAN SOLIDERS IN THE WAR OF 1812 2 PM GREAT LAKES LEARNERS WITH SARETT NATURE CENTER: WILDLIFE WONDERS 10:30-11:30 AM & 1:30- 2:30 PM IN JMLC	28
P.I.R.A.T.E. CAMP SESSION #1 9 AM-5 PM						
29	30 MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE WINNERS CHOSEN					

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Ruth Wiser Adult Plastic Boat Regatta

Official Rules

Boat Construction Requirements:

Plastic Bottle Hull: Each boat must use one plastic bottle as the primary flotation structural element.

Size Limit: Boats must fit within the race track dimensions and may not exceed:

3 inches wide

10 inches long

10 inches tall

Propulsion:

Boats may not include motors, fans, or mechanical assistance. All boats will be powered by air from leaf blowers operated by the event's "Weather Division."

Race Format:

The regatta will be conducted in bracket-style heats.

Each heat begins with a 60-second "Sabotage Window."

Sabotage Window Rules:

Spectators may attempt to sink or destabilize boats by throwing coins or change onto or into competing boats.

All denominations of currency are allowed.

3 oz weights may be purchased for a \$1 donation.

After 60 seconds, all sabotage ends and the race begins.

Boats will be propelled forward using leaf blowers.

The first boat—or the last remaining floating boat—to cross the finish line advances.

All coins and donations collected during the regatta directly support the Michigan Maritime Museum's educational programs and exhibits.

Arrive at the museum no later than 3:15 PM on June 20th to register for the regatta.

All boats must be checked in, measured, and the \$10 entry fee paid by 3:30 PM to compete.

Adult competition is open to participants ages 18 and older.

Bragging rights and prizes will be awarded for:

Regatta Champion
Most Creative Boat Design
Best Ship Name
Most Epic Sinking



**SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH
3:30 PM TO 5:00 PM**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
MORE INFO!**





Ruth Wiser Kid Plastic Boat Regatta

Official Rules

AGE CATEGORIES:
10 & UNDER
11-17

Boat Construction Requirements

Plastic Bottle Hull: Each boat must use one plastic bottle as the primary flotation structural element.

Size Limit: Boats must fit within the race track dimensions and may not exceed:

3 inches wide

10 inches long

10 inches tall

Propulsion:

Boats are powered only by air blown through straws—no motors, fans, or manual assistance.

Race Format

The regatta will be conducted in bracket-style heats.

Participants will use straws to blow their boats down a water track.

Race tracks and straws will be provided.

The first boat to cross the finish line advances to the next round.

Advancement & Judging

Winners of each heat advance until a champion is crowned in each age category.

All judges' decisions are final.

Prizes will be awarded in each age category for:

- 1st Place
- 2nd Place
- 3rd Place

Additional awards include:

- Most Beautiful Design
- Most Creative Use of Recycled Materials
- Best Ship Name

SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH
1:00 PM TO 2:00 PM



**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
MORE INFO!**

Arrive at the museum no later than 12:45 PM on June 20th to register for the regatta.

All boats must be checked in and measured by 1:00 PM to compete.

Kid's competition is open to participants 17 and younger.

Free with membership or museum entry!



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July

MEMBERSHIP GOES FURTHER: IN JULY, MMM MEMBERS ENJOY FREE ADMISSION AT

THE HOLLAND MUSEUM

HOLLANDMUSEUM.ORG

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC JULY MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE BEGINS	2	3 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5
6	7	8 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	9	10 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC FAMILY MARITIME BINGO FOR BOOKS 3-4:30 PM ADULTS ONLY MARITIME BINGO FOR BOOKS 5:30-7 PM IN R.B. ANNIS	11 GREAT LAKES LEARNERS WITH SARETT NATURE CENTER SLIME AND SCALES PROGRAM 10:30-11:30 AM & 1:30-2:30 PM	12
13	14	15 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	16	17 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC	18	19
20	21	22 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC MMM LECTURE SERIES: THE FORGOTTEN IRON KING OF THE GREAT LAKES 6:30-7:30 PM	23	24 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC	25 GREAT LAKES LEARNERS: INVASION OF THE VAMPIRE FISH 10:30-11:30 AM & 1:30-2:30 PM	26
27	28	29 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM UNDER THE RUTH WISER DISCOVER TENT	30	31 MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE WINNERS CHOSEN		
P.I.R.A.T.E. CAMP SESSION #2 9 AM-5 PM						

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SCAN TO EXPLORE RENTAL AND EVENT OPTIONS

August

MEMBERSHIP GOES FURTHER: IN AUGUST, MMM MEMBERS ENJOY FREE ADMISSION AT

THE KALAMAZOO NATURE CENTER

NATURECENTER.ORG

2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
					1 AUGUST MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE BEGINS	2
3	4	5 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	6 MMM LECTURE SERIES BONUS: THE CIVIL WARS COMES TO DETROIT: CONFEDERATE RAIDERS ON THE INLAND SEAS 6-7:30 PM	7 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC	8 GREAT LAKES LEARNERS: KNOT TYING & SECRET MESSAGES 10:30-11:30 AM & 1:30-2:30 PM	9
10	11	12 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	13	14 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC	15 SALUTE TO VETERANS	16
17	18	19 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC MMM LECTURE SERIES: THE THREE LIVES OF LST 393 6:30-7:30 PM	20	21 ROCK THE BOAT CONCERT FUNDRAISER 7-10 PM	22 GREAT LAKES LEARNERS: CREATE YOUR OWN FOSSILS 10:30-11:30 AM & 1:30-2:30 PM	23
24	25	26 FISH TALES 11 AM-12 PM IN JMLC	27 FREE FOR MMM MEMBERS - FROM FOREST TO SHORE, PROHIBITION IN MICHIGAN AT THE KALAMAZOO NATURE CENTER	28 MARITIME MAKERS 1-3 PM IN JMLC	29	30
31 MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE WINNERS CHOSEN						

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September

MEMBERSHIP GOES FURTHER: IN SEPTEMBER, MMM MEMBERS ENJOY FREE ADMISSION AT

THE AIR ZOO
AIRZOO.ORG

2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	1 SEPTEMBER MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE BEGINS	2	3	4	5	6
7 LABOR DAY	8	9 FROM FOREST TO SHORE, FOSSIL ECOLOGY OF THE GREAT LAKES 6:30-8 PM	10	11 FAMILY MARITIME BINGO FOR BOOKS 3-4:30 PM IN R.B. ANNIS	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 MMM LECTURE SERIES: DEATH AND LIGHTHOUSES ON THE GREAT LAKES 6:30-7:30 PM	25	26	27
28	29	30 MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE WINNERS CHOSEN				

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October

MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1ST-FRIDAY
OCTOBER 2ND - FULL STEAM TO
DETROIT BUS TRIP**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH - KEEL
CLUB MEMBER-ONLY EVENT:
DOWNRIGGING BRUNCH**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH -
MMM LECTURE SERIES: WHERE
THE FOOD GROWS ON THE WATER**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH -
COLUMBUS DAY**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH-
SATURDAY OCTOBER 17TH -
ADULT HALLOWEEN PROGRAM**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22ND -
SPOOKTACULAR**

November

MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH -
MMM BOOK OF THE YEAR
CELEBRATION
OPEN TO ALL | 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
KEEL CLUB MEMBER-ONLY EVENT:
DINNER AND AWARD CEREMONY |
6:00 PM – 8:30 PM**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH -
VETERANS DAY**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH -
MMM LECTURE SERIES: USCGC
MACKINAW – A TALE OF TWO
SHIPS**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH -
THANKSGIVING DAY**

December

MONTHLY LEARNING CHALLENGE

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH -
MMM LECTURE SERIES:
PROHIBITION IN MICHIGAN: HOW
THE WATERWAYS SHAPED
HISTORY - IN R.B. ANNIS, VIRTUAL
& IN PERSON**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25TH -
CHRISTMAS DAY**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31ST -
NOON YEARS EVE WITH THE CITY
OF SOUTH HAVEN**

**TO BE ANNOUNCED: A FULL
WEEK OF HOLIDAY FUN WITH
HOLIDAYS AT THE HERITAGE
CENTER!**



MICHIGAN MARITIME
MUSEUM
260 DYCKMAN AVENUE
SOUTH HAVEN, MI 49090

Free FUN Fest!

A free educational community carnival—
fun, festive, and open to everyone.

Saturday June 6th, 2026
11:00 am to 3:00 pm

ALL ACTIVITIES
AND MUSEUM
ENTRY FREE!

\$1 Lunch
\$1 Raffle Ticket
(Cash Only)

Parking Shuttle



Free &
Handicap
Accessible



*Map is for reference
purposes only, and is
not to scale



Shuttle Stops

Mi. Maritime Museum, 260 Dyckman Ave.

South Haven City Hall, 539 Phoenix St.
(Kruisin' for Kylie)

SH Senior Services, 8337 M-140 Hwy.



Event happens rain or shine! In case of
inclement weather, event moves inside.



MICHIGAN MARITIME MUSEUM
260 DYCKMAN AVE
SOUTH HAVEN, MI 49090

KINDLY DELIVER TO:



Deck prisms are a clever example of early nautical engineering. Set into the deck of a vessel, the flat surface sits flush with the planking while the pointed prism extends into the cabin below, capturing sunlight and refracting it into the space beneath. The Michigan Maritime Museum's replica 1810 sloop, *Friends Good Will*, features deck prisms as part of its traditional design.

Common from the mid-1800s through the early 1900s, deck prisms provided a safer way to illuminate cabins and workspaces below deck. Before electric lighting, sailors depended on candles or lanterns—both risky aboard wooden ships—while deck prisms allowed natural daylight to safely illuminate the space below.

Shop Maggie's Ship Store in person or online for custom deck prisms plus hundreds of other unique finds.



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