







December 2023 Newsletter

The National Museum of the American Sailor wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season! The museum will be closed on Monday, December 25th and Monday, January 1st in observance of the federal holidays.

"Christmas is a time to appreciate the real gifts in life, and the bravery of our military is an invaluable gift to us all."

– Unknown

Thank You NMAS Volunteers!

OUTREACH AND VOLUNTEERS



In early November, NMAS held an appreciation breakfast to recognize the hard work performed by our volunteers. Over this past fiscal year, our team was able to catalog 500+ items, scan 1,500+ photographs, newsletters, and *Keels*, plus support 90 families who attended Bricks and Bluejackets in August! In total, 91 volunteers donated 2,754 hours; **this equals** \$87,577.20!

Sea Stories: December 15th from 10:00am - 12:00pm

Sailors are known for their elaborate stories from their travels around the world. Now is your chance to hear those stories straight from the horse's (err goat's?) mouth. Every other Friday, Navy veterans and active duty sailors are on duty to share their stories with you. Ask them about their bootcamp days, their favorite ports, the food; the possibilities are endless.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS



Drop Anchor Program: December 8th from 10:00am - 12:00pm

Get hands on history with our new Drop Anchor programs. For kids, and kids at heart, this week's activity is getting us into the holiday spirit! Come out and work withour Education Department to take and make your own festive ornament.

Interested in volunteering for our Drop Anchor or Sea Stories programs? Visit our <u>website</u> to find out more information on how you can help!



The National Museum of the American Sailor invites you to attend our

Pearl Harbor Commemoration Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 1:00 PM

Remember the fallen with the museum's annual Pearl Harbor Commemoration. Hear the stories of those who were there and memorialize those who were lost in this special ceremony. Event hosted in partnership with the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors. Illinois Chapter

THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN SAILOR

WE ARE RECRUITING NEW VOLUNTEERS!

Help us tell the story of the United States Navy's enlisted sailor! The National Museum of the American Sailor has a wide variety of positions available to volunteers. There are several new and exciting volunteer opportunities. We're currently in need of volunteers to help as:

Front Desk Greeters

INTERESTED IN COMING ABOARD?

REACH OUT TO US AT: (847) 688-3154 X215 OR NHHC_NMAS@US.NAVY.MIL SATURDAY
OPPORTUNITIES
AVAILABLE!

