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**Thank you, 2018!**

**O**ur 12th full summer season is behind us, and what a year it has been!

Thanks to our staff and volunteers who truly make us shine. The ship tours and positive guest comments would not happen without them and their true love of the ship. I am constantly impressed by their enthusiasm and professionalism.

We would not be as successful as we are without the support of our "Friends of the Mackinaw" members and Business Partners. They support us in a variety of ways and for that, we are truly grateful.

Made up of a group of successful individuals, our Board of Directors share their knowledge, expertise and devotion of the ship with all of us. Their guidance and hands-on involvement is critical to our success.

And last, but certainly NOT least, I would like to thank each person who has visited the ship and shared their ex-

perience with others. "Word of mouth" advertising is the most valuable type that we could ever wish for. From former crew to first-time visitors, each comes away with their own unique experience.

As you know, the ship received a comprehensive exterior resurfacing and repainting this past summer. Our sincere gratitude to Senator Wayne Schmitt who fought hard to obtain funding for the project. We were fortunate to have Seaway Painting, Inc., a top-notch company, do the work for us. By the way, they are the same firm that keeps our beloved Mackinac Bridge looking so sharp!

We are busy with plans for the 2019 season and will keep you posted via our newsletter and website:

[www.themackinaw.org](http://www.themackinaw.org).

With great appreciation,

Lisa Pallagi  
Executive Director

**2019 WAGB 83 Crew Reunion—Save the Date!**

We hope that you will join us for the 2019 Mackinaw WAGB 83 Crew Reunion which now will be open to ALL USCG personnel, both active and veteran.

**WHEN: August 17-19, 2019**

**WHERE: Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum  
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We will be publishing additional information about the reunion and its schedule of activities in early 2019. For more information, you may also contact: Robin Westfall at (231) 436-9825.