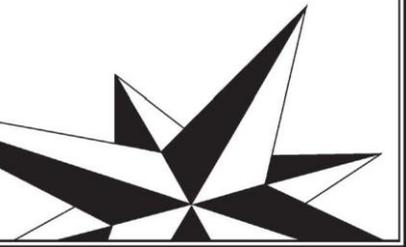


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Our Volunteers

And a tough looking bunch of roustabouts they are. I would hate to meet any one of them in a dark alley on a moonless night. But, put them in the woods with an axe and my stars how the chips do fly.

The post & beam building design is approved, the permits issued, the money for all this is yet to be resolved but our new Engine House #1 will soon be a part of the Sail, Power and Steam Museum of South Rockland!

Plans are to have our collection of about ten steam engines all hissing and thumping on compressed air and the "make & break" gas machinery ready, able and willing to spread the joy and rhythm of their symphonic exhausts displayed all together under one roof. Timber for this marvelous, little building will be cut and sawn from Tom Hammermeister's wood lot and will be built and finished by our talented volunteers, Rolly James, Marshall Merriam and John Holliday.



With gloves o' hand, these robust, case hardened, knarlies are ready to hand wrestle the great white pines of the thick and dark Maine forests



Reading the directions



Buzzing through the log



Loading the saw

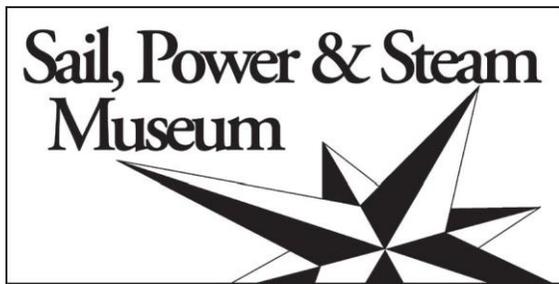
Finished product awaits



"I've sharpened and oiled my chain saw," said **Marshall**, "and I'm fierce to have at it!" They all hitched up their pants and with gloves and boots they trudged into the wood, whistling like Sherwood foresters.

"T-i-m-b-e-rrrrrrrrrr, a big pine came down with a crash, the chain saw buzzed with the limbing and brush and, it was coffee time.

Where else would you find such dedication and work ethic? The Sail, Power & Steam Museum seems to attract such people and it makes it all worthwhile. We salute our "in house" volunteers too, the **Websters** that do computers & tours, **Emily** that writes the news events, **Christine** who distributes brochures and **Dale** and **Alice** who bake cookies & mixes cement with **Joe A, Lew & dear Doris**, always cleaning up after our programs, **Orvil** and **Charlotte, Paulette, Mary Jean, Mark, engineer Ted on the Rekord** and the list goes on and on and on... **OUR VOLUNTEERS-- WE SALUTE YOU ONE & ALL**



The lime Kiln

The Kiln was a terrible polluter. 100 of these enormous structures crowding Rockland Harbor, were burning both day and night and must have looked like the fires of Hades glowing in the dark. And in an Easterly breeze 'o wind, the town must have been covered with thick, black soot. But this industry, in the nineteenth century, *named this city, built this city and created the wherewithal to make it prosper.*

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Hayracks made perfect conveyances for hauling lime barrels. Barrels were made by farmers

They, with great affection, named Rockland "Lime City" and shipped the quick lime out by the millions of barrels as the ingredients for cement, plaster, mortar and many other uses. Few Rocklandites in this day and age understand the process. As a result our volunteers are building a working kiln on the grounds of the SPS Museum and intend to burn lime stone and demonstrate the intricacies of converting petrified seabed (limestone) into a magic material necessary in the construction of N.Y.C and Boston.

Our kiln will be fired by wood and is fashioned just as the kilns were built in the late 19th century, complete with two fire boxes and a draw pit at the bottom to extract the cooked stone.

Volunteers, **Joe Auciello** and **Dale Woodworth** carefully



build up the kiln. The fire boxes were generously provided by **Dragon Cement Co**, stone by **George Hall & Son**, trucked in by **Spears**, cement foundation by **Ferraiolo Concrete Products**—all great people that support your *Sail, Power & Steam Museum of South Rockland.*



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Calling All Volunteers!

Volunteers of the Sail, Power & Steam Museum are a dynamic and exciting group who share many diverse interests such as nautical history, boat building and steam engines. There are many opportunities for Volunteers—something of interest for every interest.

The Sail, Power & Steam Museum salutes, recognizes and celebrates our volunteers as well as volunteers at the local, state and national levels. We encourage anyone interested in learning about volunteering to contact the Museum.

America has a proud tradition of neighbor helping neighbor, and today this volunteer spirit is needed more than ever before. Studies show that people who volunteer their time live longer, healthier and happier lives, and the satisfaction of a job well done is always an enjoyable feeling. Many thousands of retired individuals have found that they are not only welcomed, but needed in the carrying out of the day to day workings of organizations worldwide.

Please contact the Museum to explore how you can help us successfully meet our mission and bring history to life on the shores of Penobscot Bay.

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I tell ya, Maine people are weatha' people! Our summa' this year was the best in many-a-moon. The sun shone day after blessed day and our state bird, the black fly, showed respect for the old sou'wester and stayed in the woods where they belong. 'Tis truly an ill wind that blows no good a-tall and global warming got "thumbs up" this year. Never in the quarter-century running the old *Adventure* did I slather my face with sun block, but if I weren't retired and still at it, this would have been the year. Retired did I say? Nobody can say retired and museum in the same breath. Gaud, I thought I would be sitting around lying and bragging, spinning yarns and tuning my guitar but seems I now have a tiger by the infernal tail. 'Am busy, busy, busy every moment of the day. It is a good busy, anyway.

'Ever seen a wooden band saw? Come on into my little pilot house and slam the door behind ya. We'll set down out of the sun and gam a moment.

We had a wooden ship's band saw given to us to dominate our tool room in the Museum. You 'member how I told you 'bout the way people bring treasures to display on our shelves, well, this one didn't fit on the shelf. It is about eight feet high, hand made by shipwrights of the old Snow Shipyard back during the Second World War. The story is that, in 1941 the yard had a big fire in their shop and it burned up their ship's saw. They were building mine-sweeps and net-



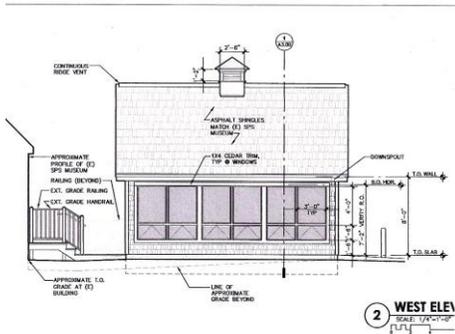
tenders out 'a wood and needed a saw desperately. Since all the steel at that time was rationed for building tanks and guns, the men in the yard decided to build one of wood. They had to keep up production; the war effort depended on it. They did a beautiful job making it mostly of maple, chamfering all the edges and even putting a decorative acorn on the top of the adjustable blade guide. After the war, as things quieted down, the saw found its way out to the little village of Hope, Maine to the home of one of the shipbuilders. It was put in a barn for many years and eventually found its way back to the Snow Shipyard to become part of our collection at the Sail, Power and Steam Museum.

A little jewel is that museum. If you miss coming in and seeing the new arrivals for a year, when you finally get to it, the new treasures will amaze one and all. Our radio and electronic expert, Lew Grant, has two radars actually working and will be hooking up the early navigational loran units along with the sounders and fish finders. The late Carol Sebold had completed a mural of Rockland Harbor before we lost her this Spring. She was a great person and an enthusiastic supporter of our Museum. Her mural is spectacular! The lighthouses, rocks of the breakwater, islands in the bay, schooners sailing on the blue water with waves splashing upon the rocks under Owl's Head promontory all combine to bring our simulated pilot house to life.

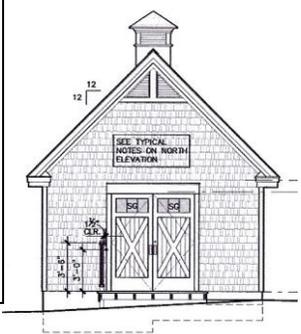
The Sail Power and Steam Museum surely got off the ground this year. Music and educational programs were numerous. Our membership is building, our projects expanding; we are the happening place in South Rockland. We welcome you!



Captain Jim and Meg Sharp



*Our engine House #1
16 x 22
Post & beam- sawn &
hammered together by
our volunteers*



In our expanding collection we have a dozen steam engines and a dozen more early “make ‘n break” gas engines of various horse power and configuration. They will soon have a new home, herded together under one roof and rolling over for all to enjoy their unusual cacophony of rhythm. A glass fronted façade, with a steam whistle in the cupola and an eventual array of belt driven jack shafting are in the future plans.

We need your help to make this a reality.

Financial help and hands on construction effort. Your donations are very much appreciated and that is what will keep this museum exciting and alive. We have already had generous contributions of time and expertise from Gartley & Dorsky Engineering and 2A Architects Inc. both of Camden in getting our plans in order for permitting.

This is a happening place-- Our Seafaring Educational Programs were spectacular in 2010. Have a look at a few:



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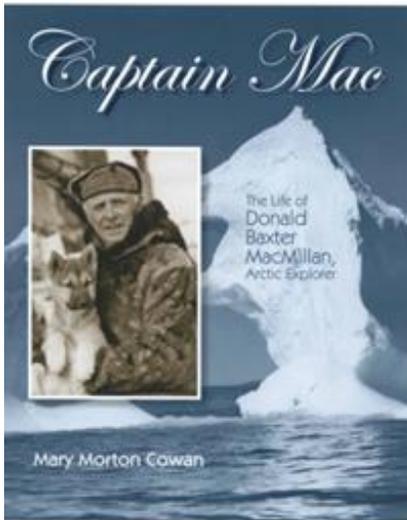
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Friday, July 2 - 6:30 - coffee & kibitz - 7pm lecture
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We are just a small museum blasting ahead with fascinating, intriguing accomplishments on the south end of

Rockland. You can just see us down below the two huge ugly cement silos, but we are quality and growing... and come on by--stop in and join in, volunteer, be a part of this vibrant absorbing entity!

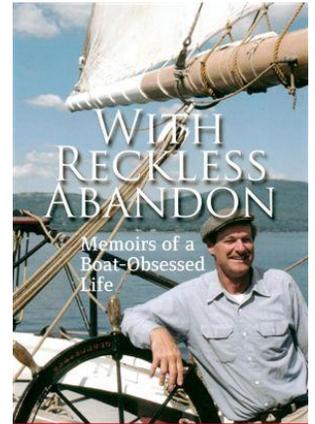
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