

April 27, 2020

## **Changing Our Course!**

Dear Museums:

Recently the Tahoe Maritime Museum Board of Directors announced their plan to change the course of the organization. Throughout 2020 the nonprofit will be reorganizing from a museum into a foundation that will continue to preserve maritime history through granting opportunities. The plan is to wrap up all museum related operations by the end of the year.

With the change, TMM is following its Collection Policy to deaccession and distribute the artifact and archival collections to relevant museums and nonprofits around Lake Tahoe, Northern California and the greater United States. Any items from the collection not relocated to another organization will go to public sale in the coming summer months.

You are being contacted because we believe some of our collection items fit within your organization's stated mission, and you may want to acquire them for your own collection. Since the majority of our collection is made up of large artifacts such as antique and classic recreational boats and engines, we are making those available first. Over the coming months we will also be processing our smaller artifacts and archival materials, and making those available to interested museums as well.

Please review the attached spreadsheet containing summary information on the boats and engines available at this time. You can contact me directly at my email address below if you have additional questions, or would like to express interest in acquiring one or more artifacts for your museum's collection.

We are requesting that expressions of interest be made by Monday, May 11, 2020.

Sincerely,

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