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San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park

Established in 1988, San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park encompasses only 34 acres, but contains the most national historic landmarks of any unit in the National Park Service. In addition to the fleet of ships at Hyde Street Pier, the park includes the Aquatic Park Historic Landmark District (Bathhouse building, urban beach, lawn area and bocce ball courts), a Visitor Center and a research library (in Fort Mason Center).

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Sailing Adventure

Immerse yourself in history aboard the 1891 National Landmark scow schooner *Alma*. Feel the waves, breathe the salt air, handle the lines, and learn the stories!

Haul line to raise the sails with National Park Service rangers as you explore San Francisco Bay aboard the 60-foot *Alma*. Take in dazzling views while learning about San Francisco's riveting history. Learn about Native Americans, Spanish explorers, the Gold Rush, lighthouses, the Barbary Coast, Fisherman's Wharf, earthquakes, fires, shipbuilding and more.

Before highways and bridges, hundreds of scow schooners like *Alma* plied San Francisco Bay, hauling goods as the "flat-



bed trucks" of their day. The last of her kind, *Alma* will transport you to a long ago era on this unique, hands-on educational program with the National Park Service.

The three-hour program departs at 1:00pm from Hyde Street Pier, at Hyde and Jefferson Streets, with boarding at 12:30pm, on May 10, 31, June 7, 26, 28, and July 3, 5, 17, 2008. Rates are \$35.00 adult, \$30.00 senior, \$20.00 child, under six years old free with adult. Tickets may be

purchased same day only at Hyde Street Pier ticket booth (opens at 9:30am daily). For information and advanced reservations call the Visitor Center, 415-447-5000.

Junior Ranger Day



Join us for a special day for Junior Rangers and Junior Ranger Want-To-Bes! We'll have demonstrations and activities for kids of all ages. Help raise a sail, pump the ship dry, and turn a capstan.

*Saturday, April 26, 10AM-4PM.
On Hyde Street Pier, the historic ships, and in the Visitor Center.
Vessel admission (under 16 free).*

Children ages 5–12 can earn a San Francisco Maritime Junior Ranger badge by completing the activities in our Junior Ranger booklet. Check out some fun stuff on our website, www.nps.gov/safr and click on the "For Kids" button on the left hand side and go to "Park Fun." Come on down and enjoy a day of fun at the pier!

Join Our Crew

Volunteering at the park can be a delightful and rewarding experience. You'll be learning new skills, meeting new people, and in the process, you're bound to make new friends.

Experience is not necessary, and many volunteer opportunities exist. Learn new skills working with shipwrights on the pier and in the small boat shop. Join our thriving docent program or living history group. Assist in our maritime library, and exhibit and collections departments.

For more information on how you can join our maritime Volunteers In Parks (VIP) program, please contact our volunteer office at 415-556-1613.



San Francisco Maritime Volunteer Eugene Backlund applies a fresh coat of paint and stain to the bowsprit of the *C. A. Thayer*. The historic lumber schooner returned in April, 2007 after three years of extensive rehabilitation at a local shipyard. Gene joined the Volunteers in Parks (VIP) program in 2002. He has logged nearly 2,500 hours of service and remains one of the park's most dedicated volunteers.

Collections Corner

The park recently accepted a generous donation from Mr. Richard Vignolo, a member of the San Francisco Maritime National Park Association, of beautiful scrimshawed walrus tusks.

Hand scribed onto the tusks are scenes of men in boats hunting walrus, an arctic scene of dogs pulling a man on a sled, and the San Francisco whaling ship *Jeanette*, that was active in the Arctic whale fishery between 1893 and 1914. The *Jeanette* sailed out of San Francisco and was built at a shipyard in Benicia, California, by Matthew Turner, the most prolific shipbuilder on the West Coast during the 19th century. Also included in the donation are two carved Narwhal (ivory) walking canes.

Mr. Vignolo's grandfather operated a jewelry store in San Francisco on Dupont Street (now Grant Street) in the early 1900s and the pieces were reportedly traded there by sailors. The ivory canes will be displayed in upcoming exhibits planned for the Visitor Center.

Explore more of the park's collection on the web. Go to www.museum.nps.gov/safr.



You can show your support for the park through membership in the San Francisco Maritime National Park Association, our non-profit partner organization. Your membership assists with edu-

cation and preservation projects for park ships and collections. Membership comes with special benefits at each level, including free ship admission and Maritime Store discounts. For more information, call Member Services at 415-561-6662 x12, or go to www.maritime.org.

Visitor Information

Dates and Hours of Operation

The ***Hyde Street Pier***, located at Hyde and Jefferson Streets, is open 9:30AM–5:00PM—last entry at 4:30PM (October 1–May 24), and 9:30AM–5:30PM—last entry at 5PM (May 25–September 30).

The ***Aquatic Park Bathhouse Building*** is located on Beach Street at the foot of Polk Street. The building was closed in July 2006 for major renovation. The Senior Center, located in the building, remains open. For information, call the Visitor Center, 415-447-5000.

The ***Visitor Center***, located at the corner of Hyde and Jefferson Streets, is open 9:30AM–5:00PM (October 1–May 24) and 9:30AM–7:00PM (May 25–September 30).

The ***Maritime Library***, on the third floor of Bldg. E in Fort Mason Center (auto entrance at Buchanan Street and Marina Blvd), is open to the public by making an appointment: Monday–Friday (1PM–4PM), and the 3rd Saturday of the month (10AM–4PM). Call 415-561-7030.

No-Fee Areas

Visitor Center, Hyde Street Pier, Aquatic Park Historic District and the Maritime Library (Fort Mason Center).

Boarding Pass (Entrance Fee For Historic Vessels): \$5.00

Free for supervised children under 16. Free with Federal Interagency Annual, Senior, and Access Passes, and San Francisco Maritime NHP Pass.

Reservations/Permits

Reservations for school groups and other educational groups must be made at least two weeks prior to your visit. At least one month's notice and application for Special Use Permits is required. Filming permits are arranged on an individual basis.

Contact Information

General Park Information: 415-447-5000
Maritime Store: 415-775-2665
Maritime Library: 415-561-7030

USS *Pampanito*: 415-775-1943
Park Website: www.nps.gov/safr
Association Website: www.maritime.org

Music, Tours, Events, Classes and Living History

MUSIC

CHANTEY SING

Saturdays, March 1, April 5 and May 3, 8PM-MIDNIGHT. Free. Aboard a historic vessel at Hyde Street Pier. Reservations required: call 415-561-7171 or email peter_kasin@nps.gov. Sing traditional working songs aboard a historic floating vessel. Bring a mug for hot cider served from the ship’s galley.

MUSIC OF THE SEA FOR KIDS

Saturdays, March 15, April 19 and May 17, 3PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). History comes alive for kids in this special program, where the songs are geared for younger ears and chosen especially for fun. Ages 7 and up. ☺

WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH

EXHIBIT: WOMEN WHO CHANGED MARITIME HISTORY

Daily, throughout March. In the Visitor Center, 9:30AM TO 4:45PM. Free. Photo exhibition illustrating the often overlooked impact women have had on maritime history.



SUFFRAGETTE MARCH AND LADIES SALON

Saturday, March 8, NOON and 3PM. In the Ark houseboat and Hyde Street Pier. Free. Turn back the clock to 1901 and experience a costumed living history reenactment of a suffragette march in support of votes for women. At 2PM, join a salon of Victorian women as they discuss issues ranging from corsetry to voting rights. Come voice your opinion! ☺

FAMILIES AT SEA

Sundays, March 9 and 16, 2PM - 2:45PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). During the Age of Sail, the feminine presence was not part of a ship’s crew. However, at times the captain would bring along his wife and daughters, which created a family atmosphere. Examine family life at sea on this ranger-guided tour through the Balclutha. ☺

ASIAN/PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

CHINESE CANNERY WORKERS

Sundays, May 11 and 25, 1:00PM. Meet on Balclutha’s main deck at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). On this walking tour of Balclutha, you will learn about the lives and cultural contributions of Chinese laborers who sailed from

San Francisco to Alaska (in less than luxurious conditions) for the great salmon runs. ☺

CHINESE SHRIMP JUNK GRACE QUAN RAISES SAIL

Saturdays, May 10 and 17, 11:30AM. Meet on Hyde Street Pier. Free. Grace Quan is a replica of a 19th century San Francisco shrimp junk. Learn about the history of shrimp fishery on the Bay and watch her sail being raised. Come aboard and haul a net, explore the crew’s cabin, and take a turn at the tiller. ☺

NEW PROGRAM

CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Saturdays, March 29, April 26 and May 31, 1:30PM -2:30PM. Meet at the entrance to Hyde Street Pier. Free. Hey kids, want to learn a little about life at sea and make a cool maritime craft? Come on down to the pier! ☺

MORE PROGRAMS

HISTORIC WATERFRONT WALKING TOUR: FROM GOLD RUSH TO NATIONAL PARK

Saturdays and Sundays, March, April, and May, 10:30AM. Meet in the Argonaut Hotel lobby (495 Jefferson St.), adjacent to the Visitor Center. Free. Over the last 160 years, industrial and recreational uses changed the environment of San Francisco’s northern waterfront. Stroll with a Park Ranger to discover the history of this vibrant area on a walking tour through the Aquatic Park Historic District, the Cannery, Hyde Street Pier, and “Fish Alley” at Fisherman’s Wharf. The tour is one hour and covers approximately one mile, with some gently sloping and uneven terrain. Dress in layers, wear sunscreen, and walking shoes. ☺

BOOK TALK: “THAR SHE BLOWS”

Sunday, March 9, 1:30PM to 1:45PM. At the Sailor’s Den in the Visitor Center. Free. Join a librarian for a whale of a tale about great books to read about whales and whaling. She’ll be spouting about Yankee whaling, Neeluk, an Eskimo boy, and more. ☺

ADVENTURES AT SEA: LIFE ABOARD A 19TH CENTURY SAILING SHIP

Daily, March, April and May, 2:15PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Join in on a guided tour of the historic ship Balclutha. Discover the hardships and rewards of the sailors who fought for survival during the treacherous Cape Horn passage. ☺

CAULKING A SEAM

Sundays, April 13 and 20, NOON. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Watertight seams are essential on wooden sailing ships. Park Ranger Carol Kiser demonstrates the steps involved in caulking a deck seam. ☺

EUREKA ENGINE ROOM TOUR

Sundays, March 23, April 27, and May 18, 2PM. Meet on Eureka’s gangway. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Take a special tour of the ferryboat Eureka’s engine room and get a close-up look at what makes a steam ferry run.

STAND BY TO ANSWER BELLS

Saturdays, March 8, April 5 and May 3, 1PM. Meet at Hercules’s gangway on the Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Tour includes climbing steep ladders. Park Rangers will demonstrate how the

captain atop the ship in the pilothouse communicated with the crew down below in the engine room. Help them use the voice tubes, bell and jingle system, and engine order telegraph. ☺

HERCULES ENGINEERING TOUR

Saturdays, March 29, April 26 and May 10, 3PM. Meet at the gangway on the Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Tour includes climbing moderately steep ladders and entering cramped spaces. Explore the major engineering spaces and learn about steam engine technology and its effects on the working environment of the marine steam engineer.

RESTORING THE C. A. THAYER

Saturdays, March 29, April 19, and May 24, 2PM. In the Visitor Center theater. Free. This illustrated presentation will describe the recent restoration of the lumber schooner C. A. Thayer and the unique way she returned to Hyde Street Pier.

HERE COMES THE GREAT WHITE FLEET!

Saturdays, March 22, April 12 and 26, May 10 and 17, 2PM. In the Visitor Center theater. Free. The Great White Fleet (16 battleships, all painted white) was sent around the world by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1907. This program will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the fleet’s arrival in San Francisco Bay in May, 1908.

SMALL CRAFT ON HYDE STREET PIER

Saturday, May 31, 2:00PM. Meet at the Small Boat Shop. Free. Join a Park Ranger for a special tour of the unique collection of small craft berthed at Hyde Street Pier’s floating docks.

SMALL CRAFT COLLECTION TOUR

Saturday, May 3, 9:30AM-2:30PM. Meet at the Small Boat Shop. Free. Reservations required; call the Boat Shop at 415-556-4031. Bring a bag lunch and ride with us over to our small craft warehouse in Alameda. We’ll tour the collection of nearly 100 local historic boats, discussing interesting elements of their history, design and construction.

MODELMAKING

MODELERS’ WORKSHOP

Saturdays, open throughout the spring, beginning at 9:30AM. On the car deck of the Eureka. Vessel admission. The Hyde Street Pier Model Shipwrights conduct ship model building classes on Saturdays. Modelmeister Paul Reck, whose models are on display in the Visitor Center and St. Francis Yacht Club, is the primary instructor. Anyone interested in building models is invited to stop by. For information, contact Leo Kane at kanebulota@sbcglobal.net or Paul Reck at stoddardNH@comcast.net or call the Volunteer Office, 415-556-1613.

COSTUMED LIVING HISTORY

A DAY IN THE LIFE: 1901

Saturdays, March 8, April 12 and May 10, 10AM-4PM. Aboard the historic vessels at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission. Step into the past as you board our historic ships. Help the sailors on Balclutha raise the staysail in the morning and return for musical fun during the afternoon dogwatch. Learn about life in 1901 from the ferryboat passengers on Eureka, or join Mrs. Galan on the Ark houseboat for afternoon tea to discuss issues of the day.

In March, take part in a suffragette march for women’s rights. In April, learn about maritime arts and crafts during “Make and Mend.” May’s special event is a reenactment of President McKinley’s visit to San Francisco in 1901. ☺

IN THE LIBRARY

These programs are held in the Maritime Library, Building E, Fort Mason Center. Fee: \$5 (\$4 Library friends and SFMNP) Reservations are required. Call 415-561-7040 or melani_van_petten@partner.nps.gov.

SAILING ABOARD THE JAMES CRAIG AND OTHER MARITIME ADVENTURES

Saturday, March 22, 6PM. Jim Hogan, of the South Bay Model Yacht Club, will show slides and tell stories of his trip to Australia and New Zealand, including a day sail aboard the restored 1874 Cape Horner James Craig, currently the only 19th century steel barque that regularly carries passengers.

THE SAGA OF CAPTAIN WILLIAM SHOREY

Saturday, April 19, 6PM. San Francisco Maritime Park Ranger Carol Kiser will tell the story of Captain William T. Shorey, who worked his way up from seaman to become the first African American captain of a whaling ship on the West Coast of North America. (Program developed by Timothy G. Lynch, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Maritime History, California Maritime Academy.)

THE SS BROTHER JONATHAN

Saturday, May 24, 6PM. The paddlewheel steamer Brother Jonathan, carrying a cargo of gold, wrecked off St. George Reef in 1865. Many lives were lost in this West Coast accident and the gold has never been fully recovered. The disaster prompted the building of the St. George Reef lighthouse. Historian Dennis Powers will tell the story of the ship and the lighthouse.

SAILING CLASSES

For class information, contact the San Francisco Maritime National Park Association Education Coordinator Lucas Lineback. Call 415-567-4653 or llineback@maritime.org.



LEARN TO SAIL CLASS

April 19, 20 and April 26, 27, 9AM-NOON (YOUTH), 12:30PM-4:30PM (ADULT), \$200. For the sailor with little to no experience. Learn how to read the wind, steer, and navigate from place to place. No experience necessary. For youth 12 -18 and adults.

LEARN TO RACE CLASS

April 12 and 23, 10AM-4PM, \$150. This class is for those who have mastered the basics of small boat sailing and are ready for the next level. The class covers basic rules and tactics in fleet racing. Learn how to check a starting line, read a race course, and improve your boat handling skills.

TUESDAY NIGHT RACING

April 15 - May 27, 5:30PM UNTIL SUNSET, \$40 for the six week season or \$10/evening. Tuesday night racing is a friendly gathering for sailors of all skill levels. Experience the thrill of the race, meet other sailors, and enjoy the sunset on San Francisco Bay.

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| 9 | Book Talk in the Visitor Center | | Here Comes the Fleet! |
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| | | | 31 Crafts For Kids |
| | | | Small Craft on Hyde Street Pier |
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Fun and Education for Younger Sailors

Get to Know a Sailor!

Have you ever thought about learning how to sail? Did you know sailing could be more than just a hobby? For one young woman sailing is not just for fun, it’s her full-time job. Let’s take a minute to meet Maddy Eustis, the sailing director for the San Francisco Maritime National Park Association.

Name: Maddy Eustis, age 25.

What do you do at your job? I teach sailing classes on our pelicans (12 foot-long wooden boats with two sails) and help maintain our boats. I also assist with the educational programs aboard the scow schooner *Alma* and with the overnight “Age of Sail” program on *Balclutha*.

What’s the most fun about your job? I get to go sailing almost everyday.



Maddy Eustis

How did you learn how to sail? I grew up sailing in the summertime on Cape Cod, Mass. I started sailing classes at the age of seven. In high school the tall ship HMS *Bounty* came to town, and I got to sail on it for a weekend. That’s when I discovered I loved sailing big boats.

What would you tell kids who want to learn more about sailing? Ask lots of questions. Go down to the waterfront and look at the boats. Ask everyone you know, and maybe you’ll get a chance to go out on the water.

What was your favorite subject in school? History. I love learning about all the people who lived before us and all the cool stuff they did.

What is your favorite thing to do at the Hyde Street Pier? Sailing on the scow schooner *Alma*.

Anything special you’d like us to know about you? I sailed around the world when I was 17.

Interview a Sailor

What do you think of when you think of a sailor? A bearded old man with an eye patch and wooden leg? Have you ever met a sailor? For centuries, sailing was considered a man’s job, but not anymore. Here on Hyde Street Pier, you’ll find both men and women like Maddy working on our ships and sailing out on the bay. Maybe one day you will too!

While you tour the ships at Hyde Street Pier look for people wearing an arrowhead or volunteer patch on their sleeves.



Who are they? What are they doing?
Try your own interview with these three questions:

1. What is your name?_____

2. What are you working on? _____

3. Where have you sailed? _____

