

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Museum,

This quaint little museum that we know and love has been and will continue to be an integral part of the Reedville community. The Reedville Fishermen's Museum is more than a collection of artifacts, boats, and buildings. It is where friends gather each week to build boats, run trains, support one another, and catch up. It is also a window into the life of watermen past and present. It celebrates our local role on the world stage during WWI and WWII. It's fascinating how much history we hold. But time doesn't stop and we have much to look forward to in the future.

This summer, in addition to concerts and cocktails, we will celebrate our nation's independence on July 6th. Reedville's Independence Day celebration will include The Firecracker 5K, games for children from 10am-noon, an Independence Day Parade in cooperation with Fairfield's Volunteer Fire Department, and finally, a fantastic fireworks display over Cockrell's Creek. On Sunday, July 7th the Reedville Festival Chorale will perform in Festival Halle a concert of patriotic and other well-known songs. Throughout the summer you can cruise on the *Elva C.* or the *Claud Somers* out of Cockrell's Creek to see the beauty of Reedville. School groups and others will visit our campus for educational tours. It will be a busy season culminating with the Reedville Classic Weekend on September 7th with an expanded Boat Show along with Ron Moody and the Centaurs.

The Reedville Fisherman's Museum is a place; but we are also about the greater community of Reedville. So whether you're a "born here", "been here", "come here" or "where is here, here?" the Museum is for you and your friends. Continue to support us with your membership and involvement. We have a lot to offer so come be a part of this rich community. It is an investment that increases the common good.

All the best,  
Lydia Rice Haynie  
"Born here" "Left here" "Come back here"



**The Easter Bunny  
Visits the Museum**

## COCKTAILS ON THE CREEK/*ELVA C.* CRUISES

This season's Cocktails on the Creek and free pre-cocktail cruises on the *Elva C* are already underway. Join us on the 2nd & 4th Fridays of each month from 5:30pm to 7pm at the Museum. The event is BYOB and attendees are asked to bring a sweet or savory snack to share. Take this great opportunity to relax at the end of the week while meeting new friends and catching up with old ones. All are welcome, so please invite house guests, friends, and neighbors to join in the fun.

To make the evening extra-special, sign up for a creek cruise on the *Elva C* before cocktails. This is a special treat for visitors or folks you would like to introduce to the Museum. The cruise departs at 4:30pm and is free, but reservations are required, so call the office (804-453-6529) to sign up.



***Elva C* with "The Stack"**