

FROM THE PILOT HOUSE

Plop Plop, Fizz Fizz...

Oh, what a relief it is... the holidays are over, the decorations are re-boxed, and we're facing the prospects of a great new year! 2020 promises to be a good one, if the last month plus is any indication. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank ALL of you who made 2019 a banner year. All of you who lead by example, volunteered at any/all of our special events, those of you who assisted guests and visitors, those of you who built things, those who designed things, and those of you who kept the records, filled out the forms, and those who just came by to say hi! You are all wonderful, and you make the RFM as fine a museum as any.



In the next few months we are going to do the following:

- ♥ Inventory our artifacts
- ♥ Re-organize the research library
- ♥ Design and fabricate new displays
- ♥ Install new flooring (which will be paid for from the 2019 Fund-a-Cause)
- ♥ Finish the push boat "Spat II" for the Somers
- ♥ Work on the Elva C
- ♥ Re-finish the master museum sign and the wooden benches out back
- ♥ Host the Winter Market (2/8th)
- ♥ Write several grant requests
- ♥ Finish several grant reports
- ♥ Work on our long-range plan
- ♥ Host the annual Winter Lecture Series (see more in this edition)
- ♥ Fix the dock
- ♥ Open the Museum
- ♥ Host the Easter Bunny
- ♥ And other duties as assigned

Phew! Want to assist? Call me at 804-453-6529. Cheers! Lee



WE  OUR SERVICE PERSONNEL!!

We will be A BLUE STAR MUSEUM again in 2020!!
In 2019 the Museum was one of over 3,000 American BLUE STAR MUSEUMS!

This means that ANY active service personnel OR their immediate family is invited to tour our facility for FREE! Show your military ID and tour this wonderful site.

The Museum is honoring our service men and women, and their families, all through the summer until the day after Labor Day. Please take advantage of this great offer!