

JANUARY 2010

### CRITICAL TOWN MEETING, JAN. 25, 2010

#### Dear CMMC Member,

CMMC's negotiations with the Town to lease the Operations Building are nearly complete. The last remaining issue with fiscal impact is the unfinished site work. There will be an article on the Warrant for a special Town meeting on January 25, 2010 at 6:30 pm at Chatham High School to use \$408,730 of Community Preservation funds to complete the site work necessary to guarantee safe access to the property, parking for visitors and associated drainage and utilities for the buildings.

The Community Preservation Committee members noted that by restoring the exteriors of the four brick buildings at the former Marconi/RCA site in Chathamport, the Town had "built half a house" and needs to "build the other half" by providing funds for the site work. By a unanimous vote, they approved the transfer of the necessary funds from their available fund balance.

If you are a Chatham voter, please come to the Town meeting and support Article 2 at 6:30 pm on Monday, January 25, 2010 at Chatham High School. The article allows the Town to provide safe access, parking and a septic system for the Marconi site. The Chatham Selectmen, Preservation and Finance Committees all recommend this article, but final approval of this expenditure of CPC funds requires a vote at Town meeting.

Chuck Bartlett, CMMC President



### GET CHATHAM'S HISTORIC WIRELESS RECEIVING STATION OUT OF COLD STORAGE AND VOTE YES ON ARTICLE 2. BECAUSE:

- The site work must be completed before buildings can be occupied.
- Historic buildings should be used. Unused they will only be visited by mice.
- The site work will go to companies who need the work now.
- The citizens of Chatham will finally have safe access to the site.
- CMMC will be able to open its Museum and Learning Center in 2010.
- Chatham's businesses will benefit from CMMC's museum visitors.
- Local high school students, with interest in science and technology, apply for CMMC internships.
- Teachers benefit from CMMC's help with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math).
- Chatham voters have enthusiastically supported CMMC's vision for over 7 years.

### IN THIS MARCONIGRAM

430 CMMC Charter Members

<u>Preview of</u> <u>Chatham's CMMC in</u> 2010 Guidebook.

### **WEBSITE-LINKS**

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Chatham Marconi Campus

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## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Renew or Join-Become a CMMC Member.

<u>Donations can be made</u> <u>online from the</u> <u>Membership webpage</u>.

The CMMC is a 501(C) (3) organization approved by the IRS.
Leonard Magnusson, Treasurer

### 430 CMMC CHARTER MEMBER FAMILIES. TRUE BELIEVERS.

Every year since CMMC became a not-for-profit corporation in 2002, we have sought members to supply seed money to realize the dream of the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center to preserve Chatham's pioneer wireless receiving station and tell its "Untold Story" through museum exhibits and innovative educational opportunities that capture Macaroni's inventive spirit. We said that charter members would be those people and organizations who stepped up before we signed a lease with the Town.

The Town's belief in and support of CMMC has put CMMC on the doorstep of signing a lease in January 2010. Thank you, true believers. Please go to the website <u>Click on "Get Involved" and then Membership page.</u> and read the names of CMMC's Charter Members.

In February, the Marconigram will outline our new, membership reward plan.

# PREVIEW OF CHATHAM'S 2010 GUIDEBOOK POINTS OF INTEREST SECTION FOR THE CHATHAM MARCONI MARITIME CENTER (CMMC)



Come experience the sights and sounds of wireless radio history that was made right here in Chatham! CMMC plans to welcome you in 2010 to its Museum and Educational Center located on the scenic Marconi-RCA ten building complex overlooking Ryder's Cove in the Chathamport area of North Chatham.

(To read the entire article click.)

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