FEBRUARY 2010

### CRITICAL MILESTONE CELEBRATED

#### Dear CMMC Members and Friends,

At the January 25th Town meeting, Chatham voters overwhelmingly approved a warrant article authorizing spending \$408,730 of CPA funds for a new entrance, parking lot, and septic system at the Marconi/RCA property. This vote cleared the last hurdle in CMMC's path to signing a lease with the Town for the Operations Building. We are grateful to the Selectmen, CPA, Finance Committee, and Chatham voters for their support. You will find the full text of <a href="Article 2: - Marconi Station Site">Article 2: - Marconi Station Site</a> <a href="Improvement">Improvement</a> on our website.

Our next steps are joining the Town in gaining the necessary approvals from regulatory boards including the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission, and the Zoning Board of Appeals and bringing the building up to code. We have selected Rick Roy Construction LLC as the contractor for our interior renovation of the Operations Building and expect work to begin soon. We continue to work closely with our exhibit design consultant, WonderCabinet Interpretive Design, Inc.

This is a very exciting and busy time for CMMC. After seven years of work, we can now see our dream coming true. If you are able to help us and be a part of opening the museum and education center, please contact me. If you can spare any amount of time, we would appreciate it. If you have a skill you think may be of help, let us know. If you wonder whether your skills would be helpful, please call anyway. I can assure you that your time will be put to good use.

Chuck Bartlett, CMMC President

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#### CMMC BOARD CELEBRATES A SEVEN YEAR MILESTONE.

On January 15, 2010, a jubilant CMMC Board of Directors approved the language for leasing the Marconi Operations Building from the town of Chatham, a process that was seven years in the making. Devoting seven years of our talents, CMMC directors have built a dynamic organization of mainly retired professionals trained as engineers, physicists, teachers, artists, health care professionals, accountants and wireless technicians. We brought our experience as project managers, university professors, k-12 educators, science consultants, museum directors, designers, commercial fishermen, Army and Coast Guard personnel, Red Cross disaster relief providers, amateur radio operators, and employees of the station that Marconi built and RCA ran for 73 years. Now we will turn our attention to building the museum and education center we have been planning. Please join us.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Renew or Join-Become a CMMC Member.

Donations can be made online from the Membership webpage.

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

Treasurer



Photo of Board Members approved language in January 2010 to sign a lease with the Town of Chatham.

First row: Chuck Bartlett, Rob Leiden, Ed Moxon, Roz Coleman, Barbara Waters, Second row: Frank Messina, Donna Lumpkin, Betty Magnusson, Lewis Masson, Edee Crowell, Len Magnusson, Barbara Cotnam, John Cotnam, Andrew Rigg, Third Row: Bob Moss, Frank Konecnik, Read Moffett, Raymond Russ, Dick Kraycir, Bob Ryder. (Missing Board members: Michael Cicalese, John Dickson, Lillian McNulty, Alisa Kahn, Pieter Schiller and emeritus members Bill Ryder and Bill Farris.)

# PREVIEWS OF COMING ATTRACTIONS AND WAYS TO BE PART OF CMMC

In the weeks to come, you will have an opportunity to become involved in specific activities leading to the opening of the museum and learning center. Here are opportunities we are planning for this month:

Volunteer to help build the museum exhibit that interests you such as: Woodworking

Video production

Administrative help with poster and graphic production for exhibits

Join our communications committee and help publish the Marconigram.

Join our Museum Oversight & Organization (MOO) Committee who are planning the day-to-day museum operations such as staffing, gift shop, docents.

Make sure you are included in these activities. Send us an email at info@chathammarconi.org

Tell us what interests you so far. We need your help.

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