



## Working Harbor Committee

For the heritage and future of the harbor of New York and New Jersey

# ON THE HIP\*

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### Circumnavigation of Staten Island, 19 October



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## Circumnavigation of Staten Island

Including Several Lighthouses

Sunday 19 October 2014  
Departs 1 pm - Returns 4:30 pm

[Click Here for Tickets](#)

Boarding begins @ 12:30 pm  
Pier 11  
(located at corner of Wall St. & South St.  
in lower Manhattan)

Tickets \$55.00 Adult  
\$45 Senior, WHC members & kids under  
age 12

**Thanks to NY Waterway**

**Join us as we learn about the rich  
history of the Staten Island**

**waterfront and light houses!**

**Tug Yards and Dry Docks** What is a floating dry dock?  
**What is Arthur Kill?** What is Sullivan's Pier famous for?  
**Fresh Kills Park** - What was it originally?  
**Rossville Graveyard of Ships** - How did it come to pass?  
**Tottenville** - Who were the first settlers of the area?  
**Princes Bay, Old Orchard, West Bank, and Ft Wadsworth light houses:**  
Who lived or lives there now?  
**.and the Statue of Liberty which functioned as a lighthouse from 1886 to 1902!**

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Featuring Special Guest Speaker  
**Capt. Joseph Ahlstrom**  
Professor of Marine Transportation  
SUNY Maritime College

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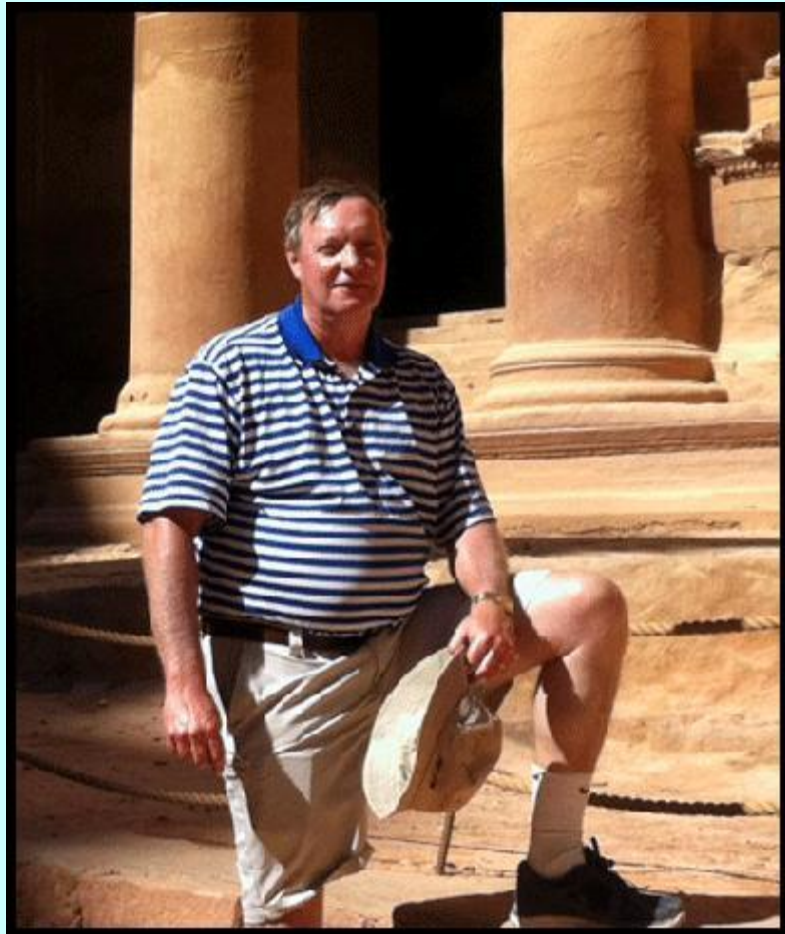
**Profile: Capt. Joseph Alstrom - Guest Narrator for Circumnavigation Tour**

**Captain Ahlstrom** is an Unlimited Master Mariner and Captain in the United States Navy Reserve. He is currently a Professor at the State University of New York Maritime College. He consults in the Maritime Security Industry and is the author of the textbook Vessel Security Officer published by Cornell Maritime Press.

Captain Ahlstrom was Master of Container ships, Tankers, Freighters, Research Vessels and the Training Ship Empire State. The T.S. Empire State is the Training Vessel for New York State and SUNY Maritime. At SUNY Maritime he teaches Vessel and Port Security in the undergraduate and graduate level. His students and cadets receive certification as Vessel Company and Facility

Security Officers. The courses are approved by the USCG, MARAD and DNV. He has been teaching Security at SUNY Maritime for the past 8 years. He is currently a Captain in the United States Navy Reserve

Captain Ahlstrom has been interviewed about Security and Piracy by local channels and newspapers in the New York area. He has also appeared nationally on Fox channels The Edge and National Public Radio in regards to the Piracy issue. He teaches a 1 day VSO refresher class to certify Mariners to be Vessel Security Officers. He has trained over 200 Vessel Security Officers in the 1 day refresher. In addition he has trained over 1,000 students and cadets at SUNY Maritime in Security. He has presented at several Conferences in the U.S. and abroad on matters concerning Maritime Security and Piracy.



**Gowanus Bay & Canal tour a great success!**



Photo: Gowanus Canal (c) Mitch Waxman

**The Working Harbor Committee would like to thank our special guest speakers Christine Petro, Education Director of the Gowanus Canal Conservancy and Joseph Alexiou, journalist, historian and author of a new book, *Gowanus: The Rise and Fall and***

***Rise of Brooklyn's Curious Canal*, for joining us on our first Gowanus Bay & Canal boat trip!**

**The tour was a great success thanks to supporters like you. We look forward to repeating this tour and adding more specialty tours in Spring 2015!**

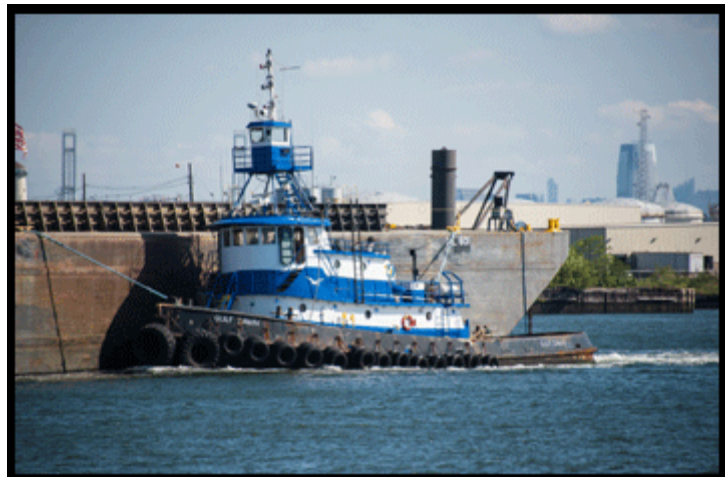
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