

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## ANITQUE BOAT MUSEUM TO HOST FREE VESSEL INSPECTIONS BY THE USCG AUXILIARY

CLAYTON, New York (June 18, 2013) – Have you had your boat inspected yet this season?

The Antique Boat Museum will sponsor a free courtesy vessel inspection for area boaters on Sunday, June 30 at the Museum's floating docks, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Members of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) Auxiliary Flotilla 09ER-01-06 from Alexandria Bay will be present to inspect vessels.

The USCG Auxiliary will check all required paperwork and safety equipment, including: your boat registration certificate and registration decal, personal flotation devices (lifejackets), Type IV flotation aids, fire extinguisher, horn or whistle, day and nighttime visual distress signals (flares), navigation lights, anchor and line.

Upon the successful completion of the inspection boaters will receive an official USCG inspection sticker to place on your vessel's windshield. The sticker will not prevent future USCG stops out on the River, but will certainly facilitate the encounter.

Located on the St. Lawrence River in the 1000 Islands region of upstate New York, the Antique Boat Museum features a collection of over 300 antique and classic boats among thousands of recreational boating artifacts. The Museum will host its 49<sup>th</sup> annual Antique Boat Show & Auction, the longest running antique boat show in North America, on August 2-4, 2013. For more information please visit the Museum's website at ABM.org.

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