



CHARLES W. MORGAN

★ BOAT PARADE ★

SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH, 2014

A festive Parade of Boats will celebrate the *Charles W. Morgan* New Bedford Homecoming on Sunday June 29, beginning at 12:30 p.m. following departure of the Seastreak Ferry. This is a call to Captains who wish to participate on water and others to attend as spectators.

The parade will start in single vessel formation at the New Bedford Harbor Main Channel west of Fairhaven Shipyard Marina north of RB “2”; proceed northerly up the channel past RB “6”; then turn westerly south of RB “8” and north of NBFD Marine 41 (anchored) as a turning point; then turn southerly passing alongside State Pier and the *Morgan*; then return to the Main Channel. (See chart on reverse side).

Boats will be grouped in categories behind NBFD Marine 31 with water cannons blasting, followed, in order, by whaleboats; rowing shells; recreational boats; commercial fishing vessels; Public Safety vessels; and concluding with tugs and other commercial vessels.

Communications will be via VHF Channel 71, and on water, from support boats. There will be staging areas for whaleboats, rowing shells and recreational boats northeast of GB “3” on the Fairhaven side of the channel, and another for commercial vessels to be announced.

Eligibility is limited to boats at least 15 feet in length that can maintain a minimum forward speed of six to seven knots with the ability to maintain heading in close quarters. Sailing will not be permitted during the parade. All boats are required to follow the USCG Navigation Rules at all times. Captains are invited to “dress ship” with signal flags or other festive decor. All stereos must be silenced so that communications can be maintained between vessels on the water at all times.

Registration is not required. Captains should locate their class of vessel on parade day and proceed with their class as directed on water. Please express your interest in participating by emailing to CMcCaffery@whalingmuseum.org leaving your name, description of vessel, name of vessel and mobile telephone number.

For more information on the Homecoming schedule, please visit www.CharlesWMorganNewBedford.org.

