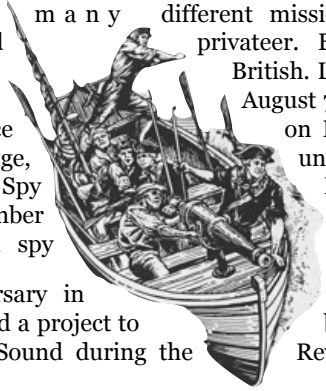




Whaleboat - 1776 Shed Project Donor Contribution Form



As history has recorded, Caleb Brewster, a native of Setauket, Long Island, played a significant role in helping win America's War of Independence. Commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Continental Army in 1776, Brewster carried out many different missions during the Revolutionary War; intelligence gatherer, artillery officer, spy letter courier, and conducting raids and skirmishes against the British. Lieutenant Brewster, in an unsolicited letter written directly to General George Washington on August 7, 1778 - a day that could be considered the start of the Culper Spy Ring, offered to gather intelligence on British activities on Long Island. It then followed shortly after, that Colonel Benjamin Tallmadge, under direction of General Washington, organized and then managed the Revolutionary War's Culper Spy Ring that operated between Long Island, New York City and Black Rock, Connecticut. In November 1778, under direction of Tallmadge, Brewster began using his whaleboats to ferry critical spy messages back to General Washington.



In preparation of America's 250th Anniversary in 2026, the Incorporated Village of Port Jefferson and the LISEC Bayles Boat Shop have initiated a project to build a replica of the armed whaleboat type that was used by Caleb Brewster on the Long Island Sound during the Revolutionary War.

All previous contributions were applied in building this historic craft, providing a mooring cover to protect it at harbor and a trailer for transporting it. Now, through your generous contribution, all funds will go towards the construction of a permanent, period correct, post & beam shed to house, protect and display this historical artifact. The Whaleboat Project, once completed, will help tell the story of our very own local patriot, Caleb Brewster, and weave together Port Jefferson's historically unique contributions to America's War of Independence with our areas rich maritime history.

Contributions of any amount are welcome and are fully tax deductible.
100% of all proceeds collected will go directly in support of constructing a Post & Beam Exhibit Shed and providing a permanent home for the Whaleboat – 1776 Project

Contribution Levels

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| ☐ Whaleboat Project "Commodore" - \$5,001 & up | ☐ Whaleboat project "Ships Master" - \$501 - \$1,000 |
| ☐ Whaleboat Project "Captain" - \$2,501 - \$5,000 | ☐ Whaleboat Project "Midshipman" - \$101 - \$500 |
| ☐ Whaleboat Project "Lieutenant" - \$1,001 - \$2,500 | ☐ Whaleboat Project "Privateer" - \$_____ |

Sponsorship Levels

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| ☐ Swivel Gun - "Cannon Master" - \$4,000 | ☐ Sprit Sail - "Sail Master" - \$3,000 |
| ☐ Mooring Cover - "Boatswain" - \$2,000 | ☐ Bronze Hardware - "Boatswain" - \$2,000 |
| ☐ Trailer - "Boatswain" - \$16,000/\$4,000 ea | ☐ Exhibit Shed - "Master Carpenter" - \$100,000/5,000 ea |
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Name: _____

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- ☐ Please do not acknowledge my contribution publicly
- ☐ Please provide a tax-deductible contribution receipt

Please make your check payable to **LISEC** and insert **Exhibit Shed – Whaleboat 1776 Fund** in the memo field. If you mail in your contribution, please address it to: **LISEC, 101A East Broadway, Port Jefferson, NY 11777**. Or, you may also drop it off at the Boat Shop any Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur or Sat morning from 9:00 AM until noon.

The Long Island Seaport & Eco Center (LISEC)/Bayles Boat Shop is Not-for-Profit 501(c)(3) Organization, dedicated to promoting appreciation, awareness, and understanding of the maritime history and marine environment of Long Island. Your contribution is fully tax deductible as allowable per IRS guidelines.