

## **The Tall Ships Celebration - Bay City, Michigan**

Thursday, July 18 to Sunday, July 21, 2019

Hours: 12 noon till 5 pm.

The Bay Area Amateur Radio Club (BAARC) is coordinating a Special Events Station for this years Tall Ships Celebration. Every three to five years, wood sailing ships from around the United States and Europe sail up the St. Lawrence Seaway into the Great Lakes before ending their journey in Chicago, Illinois.

On every trip, these great ships make Bay City a Port of Call. The Sailors look forward to dropping anchor in Bay City because we have gained a reputation of being the best stop on their voyage. Each visit Bay City is blessed with an event that draws people from not only the local area but from as far away as California. Friends from North of the Border (Canada) have even been known to stop in.

The BAARC is working with the Saginaw River Marine Historical Society (SRMHS), the Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum (SVNSM), the Salvation Army and with Amateur Radio operators from around the area to help showcase all our organizations. Radio Stations will be set up at the celebration site, on board the USS Edson and at the Saginaw River Rear Range Light, (Light House), all of which are located in Bay City, Mi. At the Celebration Site the BAARC will either be co-located with the SRMHS or the Salvation Army, the USS Edson, and the Saginaw River Rear Range Lighthouse will also be hosting Amateur Radio sites.

The BAARC is asking Clubs from our neighboring counties to join with us and make this an event to showcase each club. There is an opportunity for Amateur Radio to gain the exposure needed to introduce and explain our hobby, showcase our talents and gain new members.

Throughout the next two months the BAARC will be working to coordinate our part of the celebration and asking any Radio Amateurs, and Amateur Radio Clubs interested to become involved.

### **Tall Ships Celebration**

<https://www.tallshipcelebration.com/>

### **Saginaw River Marine Historical Society**

<https://saginawrivermhs.wixsite.com/srmhs>

### **Saginaw River Rear Range Lighthouse**

<https://www.us-lighthouses.com/saginaw-river-rear-range-lighthouse>

### **Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum**

<https://www.ussedson.org/>

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Please spread the word and please volunteer!