Photos honors Sandusky's storied waterfront

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Maritime Museum of Sandusky personnel — from left, assistant Doug Hulett, director Annette Wells and trustee Dean Howman — pose for a picture within the museum's Bicentennial Vintage Maritime Pictures exhibit June 8 during its opening reception event. The gallery, featuring 33 photos, paid homage to Sandusky's storied waterfront.

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A photo-heavy display docked at the Maritime Museum of Sandusky saluted the city's storied waterfront.

Debuting earlier this month, curators and volunteers hung up 33 photos as part of their Bicentennial Vintage Maritime Pictures exhibit. Nostalgic images range from popular passenger steamers — the G.A. Boeckling, A. Wehrle Jr., State of Ohio, Frank E. Kirby, among others — from yesteryear, the Sandusky coal docks and World War I draftees boarding a train at Columbus Avenue in 1917.

The exhibit salutes Sandusky's bicentennial, or 200-year anniversary. "We have such a large collection of photographs, and we like showing them off from time to time," museum director Annette Wells said. "This just seemed like the perfect year to do this." Wells credited Gordon Wendt, a local historian who died in 2009, for donating many of the photographs on display. "There are some really neat pictures here," Wells said. "You should come and check them out."

The exhibit ended on Sunday, but people can still view photographs by contacting the museum at 419-624-0274.