

## Schooner Western Union



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## Re: 2016-01 KWBB / schooner Western Union Restoration Progress Report

- **A.** Preparations have begun for the schooner's motor (not sail) voyage to Tarpon Springs:
  - **a.** The schooner's dinghy (push boat) was restored and the Mercury Outboard motor repaired and cleaned. Bill Murray, owner of Murray Marine, Stock Island donated the motor labor and provided parts at below cost.
  - **b.** New dinghy davits were mounted on the vessel to replace the ones that were structurally failing. Richard Manley, of Manley de Boer Lumber provided labor for this project.
  - c. One of the two Detroit Diesel engines requires electrical repair. John Cottis, owner of Key West Marine Engine Repair, Stock Island is donating labor to repair the engines and any parts at cost.
  - **d.** Arrangements are being made to cut and haul the sails off the schooner that are to be replaced in Tarpon. This will save expense in the boat yard and have less weight for transit. The U.S. Coast Guard has stated they can provide personnel to perform this service. Manley de Boer will provide a truck to haul the multi-thousand pounds of sail to Waste Management.
- **B.** It is hoped that next months' report can confirm the state legislator's passage of the grant funding to restore the schooner.

On behalf of the board of directors,

William M. Barry

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