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Greetings Members,

In 1957 the Philadelphia Maritime Society decided to create an award to honor individuals or organizations in our port who have made a significant contribution to the ports of Philadelphia. It is named after Stephen Girard a native of Philadelphia; a ship's captain, industrialist, and merchant banker who personally financed loans for the Revolutionary War. He would go on to create Girard College and leave his entire fortune to charitable organizations in the city.

The Stephan Girard Medal is presented to a person who contributes to the welfare and success of the port and its community, having given effort remarkedly beyond their normal scope of employment.

We are now accepting nominations for our 2025 Person of the Year, to be awarded at the Annual Awards Dinner on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

To submit a nomination, kindly email the Nominating Committee at [info@portsofphilamaritimesociety.com](mailto:info@portsofphilamaritimesociety.com) and include descriptive support for your nomination.

Thank you for your interest and participation. We look forward to reviewing your nominations.



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