



**INTERNATIONAL SHIP MASTERS' ASSOCIATION  
DETROIT LODGE No.7**

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**Date:** January 2026

**Subject: Silent Auction Donation Request for 2026 Dinner Dance**

Dear Members of Detroit Lodge No. 7,

I am writing to request your support for our upcoming 134<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Dance, scheduled for **Saturday, March 7, 2026**. This year's Dinner Dance will be Held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel and Conference Center. Entertainment will be provided by Captain Ray Oset's 18-piece big band Rare Form. A highlight of this event is our silent auction, which help raises vital funds for donations to several institutions we support like the Dossin Great Lakes Museum and the "Lost Mariner's Remembrance", ISMA Scholarships for Hawsepipes' and Marine Officer Cadets and Sea Cadets thru the Noble Odessey Foundation.

Given the International Ship Masters' Association's long-standing dedication to the maritime community and its rich history in Detroit, we would be honored to include your donation in our auction. Items such as maritime memorabilia, nautical-themed gift baskets, or certificates for unique experiences are always highly valued by our guests. As a donor to the ISMA Detroit Lodge No. 7 you will be recognized in our event program and during the auction, providing visibility to our **70+** expected attendees.

If you are able to contribute, please let us know by **February 28, 2026**. We would be happy to arrange for the pickup of any donated items at your convenience. Thank you for your time and for considering this request to help us make a difference in our community. All are invited if you would like to attend details may be found at [www.detroitlodge7.org](http://www.detroitlodge7.org) under Calendar of Events.

Sincerely,

**Captain Raymond E. Oset**

Past President, ISMA Detroit Lodge No. 7

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